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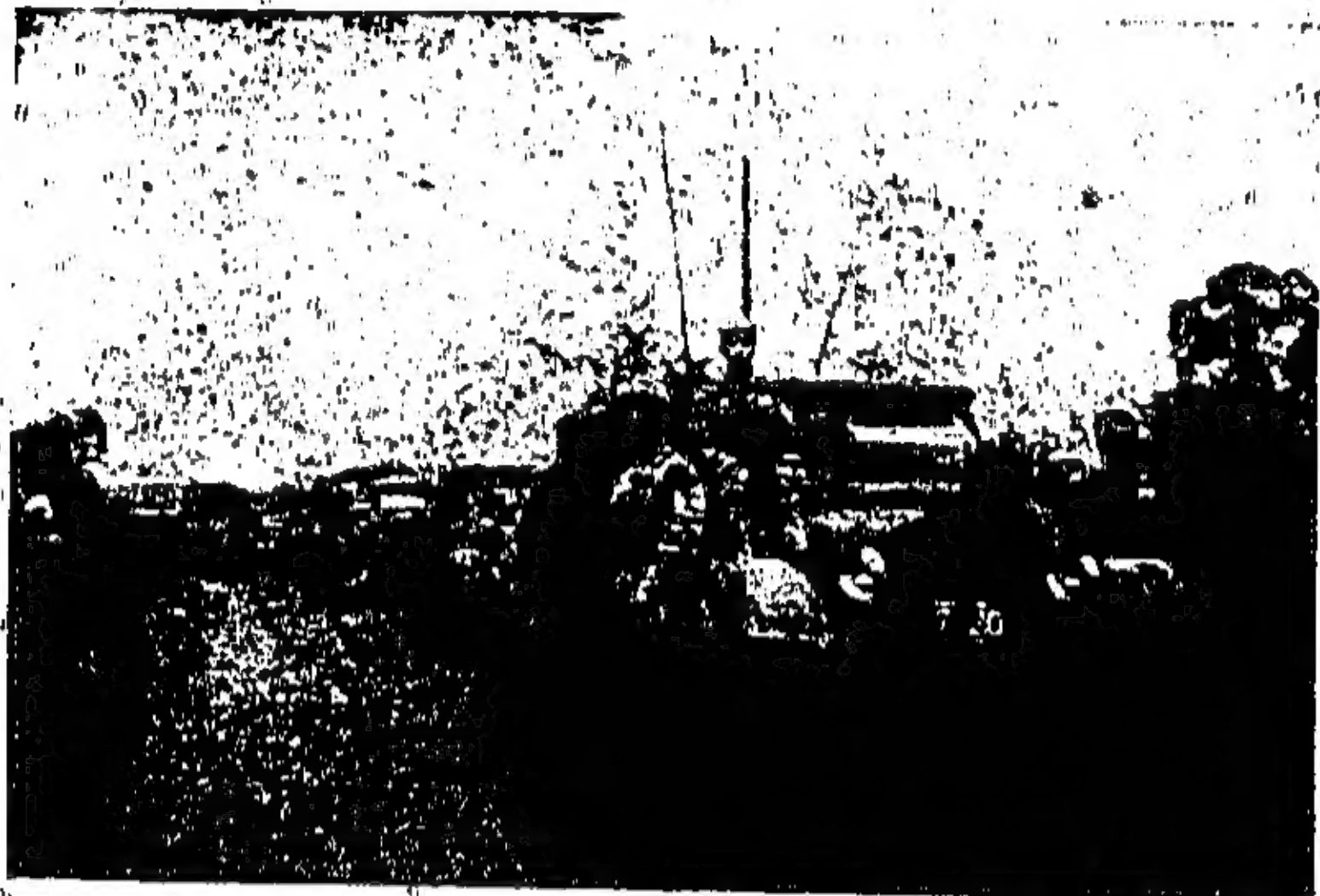
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## GERMANY WORKING ON DEFENCE LINE SOUTH OF DANISH FRONTIER: INHABITANTS IN TERRITORY TO EVACUATE HOMES AT FEW HOURS WARNING

MECHANISED  
UNITS

Chinese mechanised units despatched to assist the main forces in  
the south Kwangsi Province. (Photo, S. H. Hsia.)

PARIS, FEB. 26 (REUTER)—GERMANY IS AT PRESENT WORKING ON A DEFENCE LINE SOUTH OF THE DANISH FRONTIER, IN SOUTH JUTLAND, IT IS LEARNED HERE FROM A RELIABLE SOURCE.

The line is to be dug from the east to the west and will be situated generally about nine or ten miles south of the frontier. At the eastern extremity, the line will run round south of the town of Flensburg, which is a few miles inside the frontier.

A few days ago, the inhabitants of the territory between the border and the new defence system were notified that they should be ready to evacuate their homes at a few hours warning if the German High Command thought it necessary.

Danish political circles take the view, it is learned, that the building of the defence line indicates that the Germans regard the present frontier as permanently fixed.

## KNOW NOTHING

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—Authoritative circles here say they know nothing of the reports that Germany is building a defence line south of the Danish frontier.

## FRENCH DEFENCES

PARIS, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—French engineers have completed the northern defences in advance of schedule. The line runs along the Belgian frontier and consists of well dug trenches and then tank traps. Behind these lie concrete pill boxes with machine-guns and anti-tank guns. These protect the later defences which have fortifications like those in the Maginot Line.

## ITALIAN VIEW

ROME, Feb. 26 (Havas)—Political commentators assert that time is not working for the Allies hence they are endeavouring to extend the zone of operations of the present conflict to points where they are in a better position than Germany, namely, Scandinavia or the Near East as seen in the movements of British naval forces off the Norwegian coast and British and French military reinforcements in the Near East.

### TWO COMMUNIST ARMY CORPS

Special to H.K. Daily Press  
CHUNGKING, Feb. 26 (Havas)—It is reliably learned that the new agreement between the Chinese Government and the Communists provides the Government covering expenses of two Communist army corps, totalling six divisions, instead of one army corps previously.

Discipline amongst Communist troops will be maintained by a special commissioner appointed by the Chinese Government.

The zone assigned to the Communist armies will be enlarged but the agreement specifies that the civil administrative power within this zone remains in the Central Government's hands.

### U-Boat Sunk 16 Ships

BERLIN, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—A German communiqué claims that a U-boat, commanded by Herbert Schultze, returned from a distant voyage.  
She is reported to have sunk 34,000 tons of shipping.  
The communiqué adds that this U-boat has now sunk 16 ships, totalling 114,000 tons.

### Surcharge On Rates, Taxes, Licence Fees In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—Recommendations by the Special Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee for the imposition of a surcharge on the rates, taxes and licence fees, to enable the International Settlement to balance its budget have been approved by the Municipal Council.

The recommendations, which will be put before the Ratepayers' meeting for final approval, provide a minimum surcharge from July 1, 1940, of 50 per cent on the general Municipal rate, special rate and land tax, and an increase in the surcharge on licence fees, etc., from 10 to 50 per cent.

FINANCIAL POSITION  
In a statement, the Council emphasises the necessity for improving its financial position in this way in order to make possible a public loan as "no financial assistance in the form of a loan can be expected unless potential leaseholders are assured that there is every reasonable probability that the Council will produce a balanced budget effecting every practicable economy."

The statement adds that, despite the surcharge, there will be a deficit of \$5,000,000 to be carried forward to 1941, but, strict economies have been introduced into the departmental estimates, and reductions in the inevitable increases owing the fall in exchange, will total approximately \$1,800,000.

### DANISH TRAWLER MACHINE-GUNNED

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—The Danish trawler Olympia was machine-gunned by an aeroplane while en-route to the English coast on Sunday and was forced to proceed to a Dutch port.  
The Dutch authorities have begun an enquiry to ascertain the nationality of the attacking aircraft.

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### SPLENDID FLIGHT OVER NORTH SEA

RUDDER BROKEN  
ON R.A.F. PLANE

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—A remarkable flight has been made by a pilot of the Coastal Command.

The pilot, who was one of the last to be awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, brought the plane and crew safely home after three hours of crossing the North Sea with a broken rudder.

The rudder was damaged as the pilot dived to attack a Dornier near the Norwegian coast. The Dornier was too badly damaged to take advantage of the situation.

## CORKSCREW MOTION

The British machine vibrated violently and developed a corkscrew motion and would not fly straight but, by varying the revolutions of his two engines, the pilot got the aircraft back towards an East Coast base.

The crew had opened the cabin door and had parachute and life-jackets ready. After being unable to communicate with the base for two hours, the crew learned to their astonishment that they had flown across northern England in the black-out and were over the Irish Sea.

Finally, the machine landed like a crab and straightened itself.

### ROOSEVELT FOR THIRD TERM

Special to H.K. Daily Press

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26 (Havas)—An indication of President Roosevelt's intention to run for a third term is seen by the fact that he submitted his name among the list of candidates for the primary elections in Illinois at which the Democratic nominee for the forthcoming Presidential elections will be appointed.

## TIN QUOTA

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—The International Tin Committee has fixed the quota for the second quarter at 80 per cent.

## JAPANESE RUSH REINFORCEMENTS TO SOUTH KWANGSI FRONT TO CHECK ADVANCE BY CHINESE ON NANNING

KWEILIN, Feb. 26 (Central)—Heavy fighting continued unabated on the South Kwangsi front during the week-end, as Japanese rushed reinforcements to maintain their footholds along the Yamechow-Nanning highway.

South of Nanning Chinese guerrillas have increased their sabotage activities to help the regular force's operations in the 30-mile stretch of the Yamechow-Nanning highway between Tatung and Slutunghu, just across the Kwangtung border. Chinese forces are in complete control of all important points in this section.

Wutung, some fifteen miles to storm the Chinese stronghold north-east of Nanning on the highway to Pinyang, was the scene of a sanguinary battle throughout Saturday.

The Japanese command used 2,000 infantry, a dozen tanks, heavy batteries, and nine planes.

### German Ship Aground

OSLO, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—The German steamer Orizaba, 4,354 tons, which was one of several vessels which sailed from Vigo recently to attempt to run the British blockade, has gone aground north of Skjerveoy, northern Norway.

The ship is reported sunk on the point of sinking.

The crew is stated to be safe.

## Confidence In The Great Manufacturing Future Of Kowloon Is Expressed By H.E. The Governor

### New China Light Power Station Opened

Confidence in the great manufacturing future of Kowloon and its suburbs was expressed by His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, K.C.M.G., at the official opening of the new Power Station of the China Light and Power Company Limited at Hok Un yesterday evening.

Sir Geoffrey also paid a glowing tribute to the enterprise of the Directors which was responsible for the growth of the Company.

The ceremony was performed in the hall of the new power house which was gaily decked with bunting. Tea was later served to the large gathering present.

Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presided and had, on his right, His Excellency the Governor who performed the opening ceremony by turning a switch which set the giant plant in motion and threw the building into a blaze of light.

In calling upon His Excellency to perform the opening, Mr. Kadoorie said, in part:—

Your Excellency's gracious consent to perform the inaugural ceremony of the new Power Station of the China Light and Power Co., and Lady Northcote's presence, lending grace to the function, are an honour for which the Directors and Shareholders of the Company feel truly grateful. On their behalf, I must express sincere thanks to Your Excellency and Lady Northcote and also to the large number of our guests who so kindly manifest interest in our enterprise.

As is customary on an occasion like this, I propose to give a short outline of the formation, growth and development of our Company which serves the domestic and public needs of the community in Kowloon. Briefly stated, the history of the China Light and Power Company is the history of the development of Kowloon.

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## JAPAN AND SIR VICTOR SASSOON

Special to H.K. Daily Press

SHANGHAI, Feb. 26 (Havas)—A spokesman of the Japanese Embassy bitterly referred to the ingratitude of Sir Victor Sassoon, well-known local Jewish British financier at present touring in the United States.

Sir Victor's recent statement to the press at New York was most unfavourable to Japan in which he referred to internal division in Japan and concluded that the China campaign was doomed to failure.

Local Jewish quarters generally acknowledge the Japanese helpful attitude to the Jewish emigres but some commentators take the view that the Japanese attitude was inspired by a desire to secure the support of Jewish business magnates in the United States and, thereby, to increase the chances of the conclusion of a Japan-American trade treaty.

### MYRON TAYLOR SEES POPE

ROME, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—Mr. Myron C. Taylor, President Roosevelt's special Envoy to the Vatican will see the Pope today.

## Sumner Welles Has Long Talk With Count Ciano

ROME, FEB. 26 (REUTER)—THE ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTER, COUNT CIANO, RECEIVED MR. SUMNER WELLES, U.S. UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE, THIS MORNING.

### EXPORT OF OIL FROM RUMANIA

### QUESTION UNDER DISCUSSION

The question of the export of oil from Rumania in all its aspects is at present under discussion, according to Mr. R. A. Butler, Foreign Under-Secretary, in the House of Commons yesterday, says a Reuter report from London.

While the discussions continued, he was not in a position to make a statement but His Majesty's Government was not disposed at present to regard the situation as wholly unsatisfactory.

When Mr. Arthur Henderson (Opposition Labour) asked whether it was not a fact that the Rumanian Government were animated by friendly feelings toward Britain, Mr. Butler said that he would like to endorse Mr. Henderson's statement.

Signor Mussolini will receive both Mr. Welles and Count Ciano this afternoon.

The Italian Foreign Minister's interview with Mr. Welles lasted for one-and-a-half hours.

On leaving the Chigi Palace, Mr. Welles expressed "great satisfaction" at his talk with Count Ciano and declared that the conversations had been "very cordial."

## SEE FOR HIMSELF

PARIS, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—The visit of Mr. Sumner Welles is welcomed in the press today and commentators express the hope that he will be able to see for himself how Germany treats the small States.

Petit Parisien comments: "After listening to Hitler and his accomplices, Mr. Welles will have a wholly inadequate notion of what the Fuehrer intends to do with the living he considers to be his vital living space—unless the American representative is able to visit Warsaw, Prague and Vienna and meet there other official personages."

Mr. Eric Moller, the well-known shipping magnate, and racing man, has made a donation, through the China Defence League, of \$10,000 for the League's hospitals for China's wounded and sick.

In a letter accompanying the gift which he wrote to Mrs. Sun Yat-sen, Chairman of the League, Mr. Moller stated that, in 63 years of life among the Chinese people, he had conceived the greatest sympathy and admiration for them, and that he hoped that the country would soon emerge from its present time of suffering to a brighter future.

Mr. Moller's donation will be used to carry on the work of the late Dr. Norman Bethune, first director of the International Peace Hospital.

Dr. Bethune, who was once consulting surgeon to the Canadian Air Force and later served in Spain, was a world-famous expert on lung surgery and blood transfusion techniques. He came to China as a volunteer early in 1938 and died in Shansi last November, a pioneer and martyr in the cause of Chinese medical relief.

Photograph of cheque, Page 6



# In the World of Sports

## ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME AT LAST SUNDAY H.K.R.A. SHOOT BEFORE BISLEY MEETING

### R.N.R.S. Win Team Match: Clay Pigeon Shooting

This, the last Sunday shoot before the Bisley Meeting, which takes place from March 27 to April 1, inclusive, attracted a record number of members for this season, as many as 150 firing.

Unfortunately, owing to the fact that "A" Range was not available, considerable congestion was caused with only eight targets on "B" range in use. Consequently, the original programme of 200, 500 and 600 yards had to be curtailed to the first two ranges only.

The keen interest shown was due to the very attractive programme which was arranged by the 2nd Bn. Royal Scots Regiment, who kindly provided twelve silver regimental spoons for competition. These were presented by Mrs. S. E. H. E. White, who was given three hearty cheers.

#### TEAM MATCH

In the S.R. (a) Team Match the R.N.R.S. were first-230 points with H.K.V.D.C. "B" team as runners up-223 points.

In the S.R. (b) Team Match the winners were the Dockyard Rifle Club 267.3 points, with the 2/Royal Scots as runners up, 257.16 points.

The pairs competition was won by C/Sgt. P. Hale and Cpl. R. Langford, of the 1/Mx. Rgt., with 123 out of 140.

The Nett spoons were won by S.R. J. Heap, R.N.R.S., with 61 in S.R. (a) class and by C/Sgt. P. Hale, 1/Mx., with 68.

S.R. (b) Range spoons went to Mr. W. Trenouth, D.R.C., and Mr. A. F. Evans who also won a possible button.

S.R. (a) Range spoons were won by L/Sgt. W. R. Nunn, R.E., and Mne. S. Croft, R.N.R.S.

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#### REVOLVER

In the revolver shoot at 15 and 20 yards Mr. W. A. Tansley again took the Nett spoon with 50 out of 60, while Lieut. G. Dawson 1/Mx. won the handicap spoon with 45.

#### CLAY BIRD SHOOT

A successful morning was spent Clay pigeon shooting, two competitions being fired. We were very pleased to see Lieut. Bateman, H.K.N.V.F. and Surg. Lieut. Macdonald who have been unable to attend recently. Macdonald celebrated his return by winning both competitions, thus securing two spoons.

Single Rise—25 Birds: Surg. Lt. Macdonald—18.

## ADVERTISEMENT

### THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 9th March, 1940, (Weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building, the Club House, Happy Valley, the Hong Kong Club, the Sports Club, and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 29th Feb., 1940.

By Order,  
C. B. BROWN,  
Secretary.

## Cottage Club Paper Hunt On Saturday

A paper hunt will be held for Members of the Cottage Club on Saturday, Mar. 2.

Riders will gather at the Club House at 3 p.m., where Club ponies will be drawn for.

The hunt will start at 3.30 p.m., and the location of the start will be announced later this week, so that riders of privately-owned ponies can send their mounts to the meet.

## WOLVERHAMPTON SURVIVED EARLY SHOCKS

### Westcott And Dorsett Score The Goals

Coventry City 0 Wolverhampton 3

Coventry were more than a little unfortunate in losing so heavily recently to Wolves, for they had the ball in the net twice before Wolves scored, only for the goals to be disallowed. Major Buckley's boys had that extra punch in attack necessary to force a way past a very capable defence.

Wolves soon got into their stride, and the Coventry defence had plenty to do. Morgan saved one fierce shot by Westcott in fine style.

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## DON BRADMAN AGAIN OUT FOR "DUCK"

### NEW BOWLER'S SUCCESS

Queensland, by dismissing six South Australian batsmen for 164 runs on a pitch slightly affected by rain, brought New South Wales and Victoria back into the Sheffield Shield fight. Incidentally the side also silenced, temporarily at least, its many critics in its home State.

Had the Queensland bowlers been directed to bowl at the wicket instead of to exaggerated offside fields, South Australia would probably have been all out before stumps.

Stackpole, the new medium-fast bowler who flew from Adelaide to Brisbane to play in his first Shield match, attacked the wicket for most of the time and deservedly reaped the richest reward.

Bradman's third "duck" against Queensland resulted from his attempt to turn a good length ball before discovering the pace of the wicket.

RAIN AFFECTS PITCH  
Play was delayed until noon. No rain fell between 11.30 and noon but the groundmen took half an hour to prepare the ground for play. Delay in replacing the covers before lunch resulted in rain getting on to the pitch and made it susceptible to lift and spin for the remainder of the day.

Bradman amazed himself and his team by calling correctly when Brown sown the coin. Ken Ridings and Klose opened and the Queensland bowling did not appear dangerous before lunch. Ridings, particularly, was batting solidly, and Stackpole's round-arm action nullified the advantage he should have gained from his height and reach.

Just before the rain interrupted play Cook twice beat Klose with outswingers. Rain fell heavily shortly before 1 p.m. and a lot of moisture got on to the pitch before the covers were placed into position.

WORRIED BATSMEN  
Play was resumed shortly after 3 o'clock. Klose, after adding five, flicked Stackpole to Don Tallon. The unusual lift, gained by the bowlers, from the wicket, upon resumption, seemed to have worried Klose.

Bradman tried to drive Stackpole's first ball wide of mid-on and fell to a diving, but not difficult, catch by Dixon. The crowd roared with delight and Bradman smiled ruefully as he left the oval.

Both Stackpole and Cook were getting lift from the pitch and Ken Ridings, in attempting a leg glance from Stackpole, gave Tallon the opportunity of taking a brilliant catch wide on the leg side.

WASTED-BOWLING  
Hammer came in and Brown rather belatedly called Christ to the bowling crease to replace Cook. Brown set an extreme off-side field and Christ had no option but to bowl to it. Christ was turning the ball sharply but most of his deliveries passed harmlessly to the off-side.

Hammer played well but changed his mind to a ball which turned away and flicked it to Stackpole at first slip.

Waite was uncomfortable at first but, when apparently settling down, lashed out at Stackpole, and Christ, running back from mid-on, took a remarkable catch half way to the fence. The Queenslanders had fielded magnificently and were making up to some extent for tactical errors.

Moyle came in at an awkward time, but played safe cricket, Whitington was bowled by a leg break round his legs. It was Gooma's first since lunch. Walker and Moyle played out time.

The attendance was 6500 and the receipts £561.

Y.M.C.A. SWIMMING POOL TO BE OPENED ON FRIDAY

The Y.M.C.A. announces the opening of the Swimming Pool on Friday, Mar. 2.

## British Army Win Rugby Encounter

### BRILLIANT PLAY AGAINST FRENCH

PARIS, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—In the first Franco-British rugby encounter, since 1931, the British Army beat the French Army by 36 points to 3.

BRILLIANT PLAY  
The British team was brilliant. It consisted of all English, Scottish, Irish or Welsh internationals and were much heavier.

Their forwards got the ball constantly while their three quarters made good use of this, whereas the French were perhaps, awed by the reputation of the opponents and were hesitant. They were always defending, after the first fifteen minutes of play.

## MAURICE TATE AS WITNESS

### BOY'S CRICKET INJURY

Maurice Tate, the former Sussex and England cricketer, gave evidence at Lewes Assizes in an action by a boy whose skull was fractured during a school game.

The boy, John Alfred Terence Barfoot, 11, of Stafford-road, Seaford, sued the East Sussex County Council. It had been alleged that in a game at Seaford Boys' School between the school XI and 17 juniors the master in charge placed Barfoot at silly mid-on, described by counsel as the most dangerous place in the field.

Barfoot gave evidence that he was used to fielding in the deep field and had never fielded close to the batsman. "I didn't like fielding there," he said, "A ball just missed my head before the accident happened."

"SUICIDE"  
In his evidence, Tate gave his opinion that it was "suicide" to place inexperienced boys within 10 yards of the wicket. With 15 or 16 boys fielding it was more dangerous.

"I have retreated many times when I have found a bowler has no very good length," he said.

The master in charge of the game, Mr. G. T. Stevenson, denied that Barfoot was in a position which could be described as silly mid-on. In the position in which he placed Barfoot, the boy was not in any danger.

Mr. Justice Humphreys reserved judgment.

## Navy Rugby Teams

The following have been selected to play for Navy "A" versus Royal Engineers today on Canisway Bay Ground, Klook-off at 3 p.m.

Pay-Lieutenant Stevens; Tel. Bowden; Tel. Paul; Tel. Hall; Sub-Lieutenant Kennedy; Lieutenant Carter; Lieutenant Commander Clark; L.S.A. Palmer; Lieutenant (E) Brown, Leading Writer Barlow, Chief Writer King, A. B. Longmire, Leading Writer Ferris, Leading Seaman Jones, A. B. Noonon.

Reserves: Marine Jeffries; Tel. Honeywell, S. B. A. Davis, Leading Sig. Engle.

NAVY "A" V. CLUB  
The following have been selected to play for Navy "A" versus Club tomorrow, at Club Ground, Klook-off at 5 p.m.

A. N. Other; Marine Jeffries; Tel. Honeywell, Tel. Davidson, S. B. A. Addis; A. B. Hammond, A. N. Other; Edg. Sig. Engle, S. B. A. Davis; L. S. Spirit, Ord; Sea; Murray, Flt. Lieutenant Taylor, Eng. Lt. Bruce, L. A. C. Gale, L. S. Wilkie.

H.K. GOLF CLUB BOGEY COMPETITION  
R. J. K. Walker, won the Bogey Par Pool of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club in the New Course at Fanling, on Feb. 24 and 25, with a score of 8 down.

One card (one down) was marked by a lady and, therefore, disqualified. There were eleven entries.

## FILIPINO BOXING TEAM FOR AUSTRALIA

Little Pancho, bantamweight champion of the Orient and a consistent winner on the American Pacific Coast and Honolulu, will visit Australia early in March for five fights, as a member of a team comprising the four best boxers available from Manila.

It will be the strongest and most famous group of Filipino fighters ever brought to Australia.

Two other members of the team will be Clever Henry Burdett, who defeated every lightweight and welter of importance except Carroll on his previous visit two years ago, and Luis Blanco, Filipino middleweight champion. One other boxer, a junior lightweight, is still to be selected.

R. Marshall, an Australian manager, who handled many Filipino teams on international trips, will leave Sydney to complete the team and supervise contracts and permits for Pancho, Blanco, Burdett, and the fourth man. The team will be in Australia early in March.

Negotiations to obtain the Filipino team have been quickened since Stadiums Ltd. learnt that the big team of American boxers required had been whittled down, through the war, to Sabatino, Burdett, and Vaughan.

Burdett advised Marshall recently that if he undertook the management of the team, Pancho and Blanco would accompany him to Australia.

LITTLE PANCHO BOUTS  
Little Pancho is the youngest member of the family which included Pancho Villa, Manila's first world champion, and the greatest bantam fighter of all time. He will fight bantams here at the 8.5 limit and will make 8.9 for matches with Kul Kong Young, Al Brown (America) and Mickey Miller.

Blanco will be matched with Ron Richards, Fred Henneberry and Sabatino; and Clever Henry, a star boxer on his last trip, will fight Westbury, Bennell, McLaughlin and Purcell, besides making weight for bouts with Hutchinson and Osborne.

The fourth member of the team, to be picked from four leading Filipino boxers made available, will be a junior lightweight capable of making the 9.0 featherweight limit or meeting natural lightweights at 9.5. Babe de Guzman, who visited Australia with Clever Henry under Marshall two years ago, is one of the boxers available.

TRUE BLUE WINS  
The seventh ladies' Second Series' race of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club sailed yesterday afternoon resulted as follows:

Finished Corr. Pts.  
True Blue ..... 16.22.43 16.22.43 8  
(Miss H. Crawhall-Wilson).  
Artemis ..... 16.25.30 16.25.30 6  
(Mrs. G. C. Goulland).  
Gull ..... 16.25.35 16.25.35 4  
(Mrs. G. D. Adams).  
Redshank (Mrs. M. N. Luce) D.N.F.

After one or two early shocks, West Ham took the measure of Southend and ran out easy winners. Indeed, their score would have been greater if only their shooting had been as good as their approach work.

Foxall and Small on the wings were in excellent form and manipulated the ball with such skill that the visiting backs were often left guessing.

In the early stages, when Southend looked like making a fight of it, Ormandy and Sibley showed plenty of speed, but they found the West Ham defence—and especially Bicknell—very sound.

Hillam brought off several fine saves in the Southend goal, and he could hardly be blamed when Small scrambled in the first West Ham goal a minute before the interval. Foreman put West Ham further ahead early in the second half: fine work by Goulden led to Small increasing the lead, and another Foreman goal followed.



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## SPORTING FIXTURES

### TODAY

BADMINTON.—Y.M.C.A. Badminton in the West Lounge 8 p.m.

TENNIS.—H.K. University, Tennis Championships, at University Courts, 4.30 p.m.

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LAWN BOWLS.—H.E. The Governor's Team v. R.A., H.K.V.D.C., at Government House, 3.45 p.m.

TENNIS.—H.K. University, Tennis Championships, at University Courts, 4.30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY, 29

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K.L. Yong v. H.M. Lau (King's College), 8.30 p.m.; S.C. Chung v. H. F. Chew (King's College), 8.30 p.m. Men's Junior Singles: N.L. Smith v. P. Lo (Talkoo), 8 p.m.; K.L. Anderson v. W. Gilles (Talkoo), 9.30 p.m.

CHESS.—Colon's Championship: B.S. Litvin v. A. Kurrik; D.E. de Carvalho v. K.M.A. Barnett; O.V. Praslov v. Sir H. Pollock; V.V. Kolatchoff v. A.V. Briukoff; L. Blair v. E. Zimmerman.

RACING.—Entries close for Hong Kong Jockey Club's First Extra Race Meeting 12 noon.



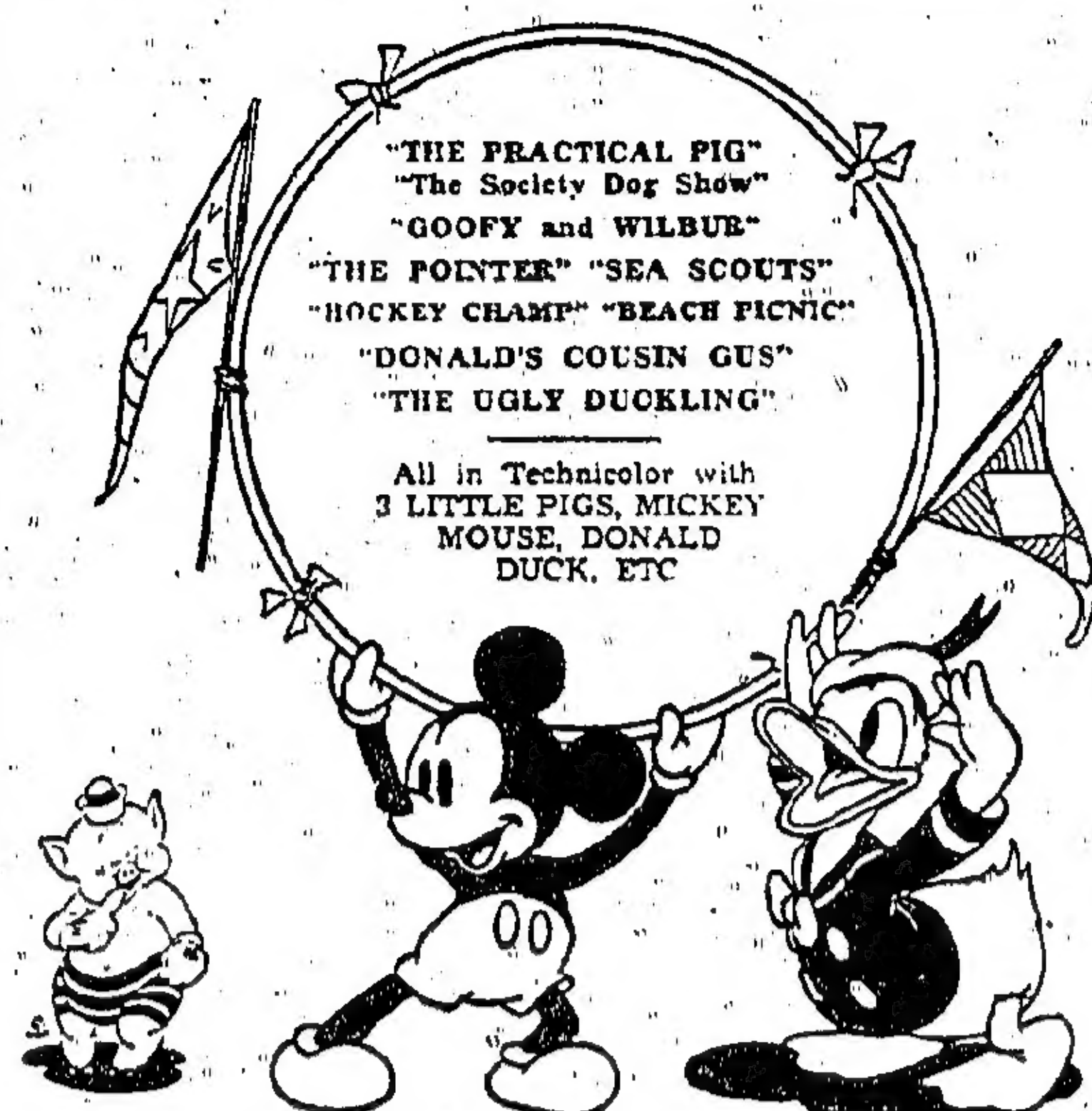
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New York's East Side is only one of the villains in "The Escape," gripping 20th Century-Fox picture which opens at the Majestic Theatre today.

Famed sometimes for the great men that have emerged from its narrow, crowded streets, the East Side is also notorious for the criminals it has produced.

It is the latter aspect of lower Manhattan that is dramatized in this thrilling screen play by Robert Ellis and Helen Logan. An eminently able cast is featured in the film, including Kane Richmond, as a New York cop; Amanda Duff, his fiancée and sister of Edward Norris, ex-convict and re-

## FIRING PRACTICE

Anti-aircraft firing practice will be carried out between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. today. Firing area 'B' will be affected. Firing practice will be carried out from the Mount Davis Area between the hours of 10 a.m. and 10 p.m. today.

Alternative date, Feb. 29.

Firing Areas 'D' and 'E' will be affected.

## COMING EVENTS

FEB

27—Tides: High 12.12 p.m.; Low 5.45 a.m. and 6.09 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.48 a.m.; Sunset: 6.26 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A.: Bridge Class, 10 a.m.; Badminton from 6 p.m.  
H.K. University Tennis Championships, University Courts, 4.30 p.m.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
Cheero Club, Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m.  
H.K. Rotary Club Tiffin Mtg., H.K. Hotel, 1 p.m.; Speaker—Mr. W. Brown "The Bennis Ralliance."  
St. Andrew's Mothers' Union, 3 p.m.; Speaker: Miss Elliot.  
Urban Council Meeting, 4.15 p.m.  
Kowloon Chess Club, Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.  
Soldiers' Guild of St. George, Fortnight Mtg., Scandal Point Hall, 7.30 p.m.  
Cathedral Scouts, Bishop's House, 5.30 p.m.  
St. Teresa's Choral Group Orchestra, 5.45 p.m.  
S. and S. Home: Prayer and Fellowship Mtg., 8.30 p.m.  
28—Tides: High 12.48 a.m. and 12.51 p.m. Low 6.16 a.m. and 7.16 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.48 a.m.; Sunset: 6.26 p.m.  
Third H.K.V.D.C. Camp ends.  
H.K. and Shanghai Banking Corp. Annual Mtg., 11.30 a.m.  
Y.M.C.A.: Badminton (all day); Gramophone Recital, 8 p.m.  
Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
R.A. H.K.V.D.C. 3.45 p.m.  
Hon. Sir Stafford Cripps, K.C.M.P. and Mr. G. Wilson leave Govt. House.  
H.K. University Tennis Championships, University Courts, 4.30 p.m.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
Cheero Club, Dance, 8.30 p.m.  
29—Tides: High 1.50 a.m. and 1.40 p.m. Low 6.50 a.m. and 6.53 p.m.  
Sunrise: 6.47 a.m.; Sunset: 6.27 p.m.  
Final dividend to H.K. and Shanghai Bank shareholders payable.  
Chess Championship continued.  
Leap Year Ball at Gloucester Hotel in aid of B.W.O.P., 8.30 p.m. H.E. and Lady Northcote to attend.  
Central British Assn. Dance.  
Theological Society: Lecture "Reincarnation," by Mr. M. R. Deb.  
Urban Council Election.  
Y.M.C.A.: Games Morning, 10 a.m.; A.D.C. Rehearsal, 9 p.m.  
Enquiries close for H.K. Jockey Club's First Extra Race Meeting at noon.  
Charity Concert, Great Hall of H.K. University, 9 p.m. H.E. and Lady Northcote present.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
Cheero Club, Contract Bridge.  
MARCH  
1—First Anniversary of Election of Pope Pius XII.  
St. David's Society, Annual Dinner and Dance, H.K. Hotel.  
H.K.V.D.C. Sergts. Mess, Annual Ball, Peninsula Hotel.  
Cheero Club, Darts, Table-Tennis, Billiards.  
Ladies' Working Party (B.W.O.P.), Govt. House, 9 a.m.—1 p.m.  
Y.M.C.A. Swimming Pool opens.  
2—R.E.O.C.A. Supper Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 9 p.m.  
H.E. the Governor's extension of Tai Po Rural Home and Orphanage, 3.30 p.m.  
H.E. the Governor and Lady Northcote proceed to Fanling Lodge for the weekend.  
Cottage Club, Paper Hunt, 3 p.m.  
3—Mass Races.  
Press Preview of Art Exhibition at St. John's, 5.30 p.m.  
4—Colonial Lawn Tennis Championships start at K.C.C.  
Evening institution re-opens.  
Exhibition of Western and Chinese Paintings at St. John's Cathedral Hall.  
5—Black-Out Exercises.  
Kowloon Residents' Assn., Annual Gen. Meeting.  
H.K. Horticultural Society—Annual Show.  
Referees' Assn. Monthly Mtg., Hotel Cecil, 8 p.m.  
Exhibition of Western and Chinese Paintings at St. John's Cathedral Hall.  
6—Fourth H.K.V.D.C. Camp starts.  
H.K. Horticultural Society, Annual Show.  
7—Chess Championship Continued.  
8—St. Andrew's Club, Whist Drive, 8 p.m.  
D.B.A. Dance.  
Cheero Club, Jumble Sale, 2.30 p.m.  
Referees' Assn., Whist Drive, Hotel Cecil.  
H.K. Yorkshiremen's Society, Annual Dinner Dance, Gloucester Hotel.  
9—Shield Soccer semi-final.  
H.K. University Union, Annual Athletic Meeting, 1.30 p.m.  
K.C.C. Presentation of Prizes, 9.15 p.m.  
Bank of Canton, Annual Mtg., 3 p.m.  
10—Dog and Cat Show at St. John's Palace.  
Second round of H.K.G.C. Mixed Foursomes due to be completed.  
Shield Soccer, Semi-final.  
12—H.K. Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd. Annual Mtg., noon.  
13—Fourth H.K.V.D.C. Camp ends.  
Soccer: Chinese Federation v. United Services.  
K.C.C. Variety Concert in aid of B.W.O.P., 9.15 p.m.  
14—Army Inter-Unit Cross-Country Race from P.W.D. ground.  
Chess Championship Continued.  
15—St. Patrick's Society, Dinner Dance, Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.  
Claims against estate of Sybil Ruby Challenor due.  
Licensing Board Election, Urban Council Chamber, 4 p.m.  
Raub-Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd. Fourth Interim Dividend payable.  
17—Fanning Hunt and Race Club, St. Patrick's Day Meet at Kwant, 2.45 p.m.  
19—Cheero Club, Ladies' Advisory Committee, Bridge and Mahjongg Drive, 3 p.m.  
Claims against estate of Alfred Edmund Hatch due.  
20—H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd. Annual Mtg., 10 Des Voer Rd. C, 11.30 a.m.  
21—Chess Championship Continued.  
H.K. Electric Co., Ltd. Annual Mtg., 11 a.m.

## Radio Programmes

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### SCHUBERT SYMPHONY NO. 7 IN C MAJOR

"Cards on the Table"  
12.15 p.m. Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 Excerpts from Puccini's Opera.

"Madam Butterfly"—One Fine Day—Margaret Sheridan (Soprano) with Orchestra. "La Fanciulla del West"—My Father died just Six Months Ago; Let her believe that I have gained my freedom—Alessandro Valente (Tenor) and La Scala Orchestra, Milan. "La Boheme"—Yes, They Call Me Mimì—Claudia Muzio (Soprano) with Orchestra. "Tosca"—Selection—Marek Weber & His Orchestra. "La Boheme"—Ah, Mimì, False One—Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) and Giuseppe De Luca (Baritone) with Orchestra—Musetta's Waltz Song—Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Gerry Moore (Piano), His Rhythm and Sam Browne (Vocal). Slow Fox-Trot—In Building A Sailboat of Dreams; What Do You Know About Love?—Gerry Moore (Piano). Have You Forgotten So Soon (Gilbert & Nichols)—Sam Browne (Vocal) with Orchestra. Fox-Trots—Always and Always (film Mannequin)—Ti-Pi-Tin—Gerry Moore & His Rhythm. What's Good for the Goose, Is Good for the Gander (Friend); Gee, Oh Gosh, I'm Grateful (Nesbitt Bros. & Carr)—Sam Browne and Girl Friend with Two Pianos. Quickstep—Hold My Hand; Slow Fox-Trot—Heart and Soul (film "A Song is Born")—Gerry Moore (Piano).

1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Billy Cotton & His Band. Fox-Trots—The Washing on the Sledge; Line: When A Black Sheep Meets a White Sheep. Fox-Trots—Everybody Kiss Your Partner; Counting Crotchets in My Sleep. Have You Anything On Tonight, Matilda Darling? (Gilbert & Nichols); Le Touquet (Damerell & Others). Fox-Trot—Got To Dance My Way To Heaven; Slow Fox-Trot—I Nearly Let Love Go Slipping Through My Fingers (film "It's Love Again"). Fox-Trots—The Masquerade Is Over; The Birthday of the Little Prince.

2.15 Close down.

6.00 An hour of Dance Music and Variety.

Slow Fox-Trot—Moon Love; Fox-Trot—White Sails—Jack Hylton & His Orchestra. Vocal—Danny Boy (film "Shipyard Sally"); Wish Me Luck (film "Shipyard Sally"); Grace Fields with Choir and Orchestra. Piano—I've Got You Under My Skin (film "Born to Dance"); In The Chapel In The Moonlight (Hill)—Peter Yorke. Fox-Trot—The Pretty Little Quaker Girl (Hunter & Parr-Davies); Waltz—Little Sir Echo (Smith & Others)—Mantovani & His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus. Vocal—Stardust (Car-michael); Chloe (Song of the Swamp—Kahn & Moret)—The Radio Three with Their Rhythmic Escorts. Cinema Organ—"The King Steps Out" Medley (Kreider)—Reginald Foort. Piano—Lamb-beth Walk after Verdi, Beethoven, Mozart, Chopin and Liszt (arr. Rayston)—Frank Rayston. Fox-Trots—Anita; I Used To Love You—"Fats" Waller & His Rhythm with Vocal Refrain & Piano by "Fats" Waller. Vocal—Au Revoir But Not Goodbye (Gilbert); Moon Love (David & Others)—Al Bowlly with Orchestra. Fox-Trot—Day In Day Out—Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.

7.00 Closing local Stock Quotations.

22—Good Friday.

United Service of Christian Witness in Kowloon, 11.30 a.m.  
St. Andrew's Club, Whist Drive, 8.45 p.m.  
Golf: Happy Valley Golfers v. Kowloon Golfers.  
Claims against estate of Herbert Hatch due.  
23—Portuguese Company of H.K. V.D.C. Annual Dinner, Club Lusitano, 7.30 p.m.  
24—Easter Sunday.  
Golf—Shanghai Visitors' Cup; semi-final of Mixed Foursomes due to be completed.  
26—Chess Championship Continued.  
29—Institute of Engineers: Lecture on "Chemical Warfare" by Wing-Com. A. H. Steele-Perkins.  
H.K. Police Dance in aid of B.W.O.P., Peninsula Hotel.  
31—Kowloon Bowling Green Club, Redemption of Debentures.

7.02 Billy Mayerl—"Four Aces" Suite.  
Rale Da Costa (Piano).  
7.15 Studio—A talk on The Auxiliary Nursing Service by Mrs. Peters.  
7.22 Cinema Organ Solos by Quentin Maclean.  
Little Dolly Daydream (Leslie Stuart); Lilly of Laguna (Leslie Stuart).  
7.30 London Relay—The News.  
8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 Compositions of Roger Quilter.  
Children's Overture—New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by Dr. Malcolm Sargent. I Dare Not Ask A Kiss; The Jealous Lover; Music When Sort Voices Die; Lope's Philosophy—Mark Raphael (Baritone) with Roger Quilter at the Piano. Where The Rainbow Ends—Selection—Sidney Torch (Organ).  
8.30 Film Selections.  
"King of the Hill"—Selection—Felix Mendelssohn & His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus. "The Story of Vernon and Irene Castle"—Selection—Louis Levy & His Orchestra with Vocal Chorus.  
8.43 Dance Music by Brian Lawrence & His Orchestra.  
Fox-Trots—Toodle-Do; Throwing Peanuts to the Moon. Fox-Trots—T'm Gonna Kiss Myself Good-Bye; One In A Million (from the film). Fox-Trots—Roses In December (from "Life of the Party") Waterlilies In The Moonlight—Brian Lawrence (Vocal) with Rhythm Accompaniment and the Three Ginx. Fox-Trots—You're Looking for Romance I'm Looking for Love; Sunset in Vienna (from the film). Quickstep—It's In The Air (from the film); Fox-Trot—The Lady On The Second Floor.  
9.15 London Relay—News Summary.  
9.30 London Relay—"Cards on the Table."  
9.45 Alfred Cortot (Piano) playing Chopin.  
Ballade No. 1 G Minor, Op. 23. Ballade No. 2 in F Major, Op. 38.  
10.03 Some Schubert Songs by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).  
Near The Beloved, Op. 5, No. 2. Laughing and Weeping, Op. 59, No. 4. Night and Dreams, Op. 43, No. 2. Happiness.  
10.13 Schubert—Symphony No. 7 in G Major.  
The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.  
11.00 Close down.

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Transmission I—News Summary 4.00 p.m.  
Full Bulletin 5.00 p.m.  
Transmission II & III—News Summary 8.45 p.m.  
Full Bulletin 7.30 p.m.  
do 9.15 p.m.  
do 12.00 mid-night  
Transmission V—News Summary 7.30 a.m.  
Full Bulletin 8.30 a.m.

## SHORT TALKS FROM B.B.C.

(All Hongkong Time)  
Monday—Background to the News 11.00 p.m.  
Tuesday—Background to the News 8.15 a.m.  
In England Now 11.00 p.m.  
Cards on the Table 8.00 p.m.  
Wednesday—In England Now 8.45 a.m.  
Cards on the Table 8.15 a.m.  
Matters of Moment 11.00 p.m.  
Thursday—Matters of Moment 8.45 a.m.  
Background to the News 11.00 p.m.  
Friday—In England Now 8.45 a.m.  
Saturday—In England Now 8.45 a.m.  
London Log 3.30 p.m.  
London Log 11.15 p.m.  
Sundays—London Log 8.45 a.m.

## SAILORS CHARGED WITH ASSAULT

Four seamen of the Royal Navy, Francis Hallstones, G. R. Williams, R. D. Reader and Kenneth Rogers, all aged 19, appeared before Mr. R. Edwards, at the Central Court yesterday, charged with having assaulted a watchman, Lam Mah, outside the Gloucester Hotel on Friday.

They pleaded not guilty and the case was adjourned until Thursday afternoon.

Towkay Choo Kik Moon, J.P., who has served for more than two years as the treasurer of Chinese Relief Fund Committee, Seremban, has resigned owing to ill health and his place has been taken by Towkay Ng Hoe Neo of Seremban.

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# "Mother Of Guerillas" In Chungking

CHUNGKING, Feb. 26 (Central) — Mrs. Chao known as "Mother of Guerillas," has arrived in Chungking.

Interviewed, she said that she has come to Szechwan to report her experience in guerilla warfare in Manchuria and North China, and to urge the men to join military service. She will leave Chungking tomorrow to tour various districts in Szechwan for this twofold purpose.

## JAPANESE INTERFERE WITH MAILS

### PROTEST MADE BY AMERICAN CONSUL-GENERAL

HANKOW, Feb. 26 (Reuter) — The American Consul-General here has made representations to the Japanese authorities concerning official interference and consequent lengthy delays in the delivery of mail addressed to Americans in this district.

**BROKEN OPEN**

It is understood that several recent copies of the North China Daily News and the Evening Post and private letters have been received broken open, and on occasions, over a fortnight late.

## Movie Group In Great Wall Town

YULIN, SHENSI, Feb. 26 (Central) — Great enthusiasm was aroused in Yulin over the arrival of the China Motion Picture Studio's party of 50 members on Feb. 21.

**OUTDOOR SCENES**

The party, led by Mr. Ying Yun-wei, noted motion picture producer and stage director, will take outdoor scenes for the Studio's forthcoming picture outside the Great Wall.

Accompanying the party are Mr. Shen Yin-tsen, well-known painter whose recent brush sketches of Chinese war activities in the Northwest have evoked keen interest in art circles, and Miss Lily Lee, star of numerous successful Chinese pictures. Mr. Shen is acting as adviser to the party, while Miss Lee will play the leading part in the new picture.

**A RECEPTION**

On Saturday evening, various circles in Yulin gave a reception party to the group in which several newscasters of the war were shown. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek was cheered again and again whenever he appeared on the screen.

## QUEEN'S TOUR OF CIVIL DEFENCE CENTRES

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter) — Her Majesty the Queen, who arrived from London on Saturday evening, made a tour of the Edinburgh civil defence centres.

After inspecting units covering practically all branches of the A.R.P., Her Majesty visited the Overseas Hospitality House where six Canadian soldiers, a sailor and an airman from Australia were presented to her.

## POLITICAL MURDER IN SHANGHAI

### FORMER CHINESE DETECTIVE SHOT BY CUNMEN

SHANGHAI, Feb. 26 (Reuter) — When leaving the well-known night club Cro's situated in Bubbling Well Road, last night, Chien Jen-lung, a former police detective in the French Concession and afterwards an officer in the Chinese Western District Police Force, was shot dead by two unknown gunmen who made good their escape.

**POLITICAL MOTIVES**

Chien, who was shot in the stomach, was accompanied by his wife, who was not hurt. Political motives are seen in the shooting. Meanwhile, one of the male Chinese, Pang Chiu-tang, a tea merchant, who was wounded in the Paramount Ballroom shooting on Saturday night has died, while Miss Mary Chen's condition is most critical.

## Names Of The 54 Men Lost In H.M.S. Sphinx

The casualty list of the minesweeper H.M.S. Sphinx containing 54 names, was published on Feb. 9.

H.M.S. Sphinx sank while being towed to port after she had been damaged by Nazi air attacks. There were 46 survivors.

**COMMANDER KILLED**

The 54 casualties consist of the Commander and three ratings killed, four officers missing and presumed dead, one petty officer died of injuries, 44 ratings missing and presumed dead, and the N.A.A.F.I. canteen manager missing and presumed dead.

**OFFICERS**

Killed: Commander J. R. N. Taylor, R.N. (in command).

Missing, Presumed Dead: F. A. Braham, Commissioned Engineer, R.E. Probationary Temporary Sub-Lieut. J. S. G. Comfort, R.N.V.R. Lieutenant A. H. Nicholls, R.N. Temporary Lieut. A. L. Tessier, H.N.R.

**RATINGS**

Killed: Hobbs, H. F., Ruthen, B. F., Skiggs, L. A. S.

Died Of Injuries: Snook, Frederick.

Missing, Presumed Dead: Ashdown, S. H.

Bell, D. D., Bell, Richard, Berley, T. A.

Carroll, R. C., Chalmers, W. C., Cooper, Joseph Crayston, Leonard.

Duce, Henry, Dunnell, E. J., Flanagan, Gordon, Ordinary Seaman.

Garthwaite, John, Gooben, Frank, Gregson, C. K., Grimson, E. E.

Hardy, W. G., Holmes, G. T., Karmann, Frederick, Kenny, James.

McDowell, C. W., McKessick, J. P., Mayles, L. F., Murray, D. F., Cecil A.

Poulson, C. W., Regan, J. H., Roffey, H. W. J., Rolis, Harry, Ronald.

Smith, Norman, Smith, T. A., Smith, W. H., Stimpson, F. W., Surgeon, J. B.

Taylor, Robert, Upsall, Kenneth.

Walsh, E. F., Webster, E. A., Wentworth, G. E., Wheeler, H.N., Wood, D. A. G., Wood, W. J., Woolton, William.

**N.A.A.F.I. Personnel**

Bontoft, John.

The marriage took place at the Masonic Hall of Mr. J. McDougall, accountant, Chartered Bank, Seremban, and Miss Kathleen Milne of Hongkong. Mr. T. F. Porter was the bestman while Miss Irene Wells was the bridesmaid. Mrs. W. C. Mackay acted as Matron of Honour.

**Solution No. 543**

ACROSS: 1, Debts; 4, Scraped; 8, Peasant; 9, Norse; 10, Sheep; 11, Resists; 13, Even; 15, Throne; 17, Drudge; 20, Also; 22, Amiable; 24, Cadet; 26, Going; 27, Dreamer; 28, Eastern; 29, Shred.

DOWN: 1, Deposit; 2, Brace; 3, Sharpen; 4, Satire; 5, Rings; 6, Perused; 7, Deeds; 12, Ends; 14, Veal; 16, Ralsins; 18, Rockets; 19, Entered; 21, Leaden; 22, Argue; 23, Bugle; 25, Demur.

## Two Nazi Planes Fire On Dutch Machine

### INCIDENT OVER HOLLAND

### STRONG PROTEST TO BE LODGED IN BERLIN

THE HAGUE, Feb. 26 (Reuter) — It was officially announced that the Netherlands Government is to lodge a strong protest in Berlin against the presence of two German planes over Dutch territory on Sunday.

One of the German planes was engaged by a Dutch pursuit plane and shots were exchanged, in the course of which the Dutch plane was hit once in the nose and twice in the tail.

### OPEN VIOLATION

"In view of the fact that the German planes not only openly violated Dutch territory, but also had the temerity to open fire on the Dutch machine, which was acting in the lawful execution of its duty, the Dutch Government will lodge a strong protest in Berlin," says the announcement.

## ANOTHER NOTE ON ALTMARK

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter) — The Foreign Office announces that the Norwegian Minister in London called on Lord Halifax on Saturday and presented him with a note from the Norwegian Government on the Altmarm Case.

The Minister also replied to certain enquiries which were made at the interview of a week ago.

## JAPAN AND CHINA

### A COMPARISON OF CASUALTIES

The following letter was published in the N.C.D. News:—

Sir,—I have come into possession of a pamphlet entitled "China's Fate and America's Future," by Julian Arnold, from which I cite the following approximate statistics, up to January 1 (1940?), covering the war in China:

Japanese troops landed in China to date 1,300,000; Japanese casualties 600,000; Japanese killed 250,000; Chinese Government troops in the field 3,500,000; Chinese troops casualties 1,500,000; Chinese troops killed 600,000.

Set out in a different manner, we get the following results:

Percentage of casualties to total troops in field: Japanese 46 per cent, and Chinese 43 per cent.

Percentage of killed to total troops in the field: Japanese 19 per cent, and Chinese 17 per cent.

Hitherto (thanks to the facility with which Japan has been able to obtain war materials from abroad, chiefly the United States) the Japanese Army has enjoyed an immense superiority in equipment over the Chinese forces, yet the Japanese have, on a percentage basis, suffered the larger losses.

Now that there is a moral embargo at least in the U.S.A. against further furnishing Japan with the means of making war on China the Japanese superiority in equipment will gradually dwindle, so that eventually, so far as material is concerned, the Japanese and Chinese will fight on more even terms. And the Chinese forces need fight no better than they have been doing recently, until their overwhelming superiority in man-power and the larger percentage losses inflicted on the Japanese army, will result in the total collapse of the Japanese effort.

Carried to its logical conclusion, this would mean a war of attrition at its grimmest, but the significance of the foregoing figures should be published to the Chinese nation at large, so that they will know that if they will but stand firm and endure, victory will eventually and surely be theirs.

**STUDENT OF HISTORY**, Shanghai, Feb. 16.

## LONGEVITY SECRET

### SALT SPRAY OF THE SEVEN SEAS

Learning that the Fountain of Youth is not a fountain at all, but the salt spray of the seven seas, Mr. E. F. Croker, retired Chief of the Fire Department of New York City, sailed on Jan. 25, from San Francisco on the s.s. President Garfield for his twelfth consecutive annual cruise around the world.

### LONGEVITY SECRET

Mr. Croker believes that the secret of longevity is keeping one's lungs filled with salt-flavored ozone during at least four months out of every twelve.

He is one of the fortunate few who has both the time and means to indulge this delightful way of growing old, although it is hard to associate the word "old" with the young-looking "former New York Fire Chief."

Mr. Croker told San Francisco reporters that he is out to beat the record of the late Mr. Julius Brittlebank, who was on his nineteenth consecutive annual "President Line" cruise when he passed away at his hotel in Honolulu.

### LIVED 19 YEARS MORE

Twenty years prior to his death, three different doctors told Mr. Brittlebank he had less than six months to live. Mr. Brittlebank, then in his sixties, figuratively thumbed his nose at his doctors and booked himself a world cruise. He lived nineteen years after that, four months out of each devoted to world travel.

Mr. Croker believes he has an edge on Mr. Brittlebank inasmuch as he started his series of cruises in top physical condition.

### LIKES CHINA

Of all the countries visited, Mr. Croker likes China best. "An Occidental could spend an entire lifetime touring China without really seeing or knowing the country," he said. "China is fascinating beyond words."

## No State Of Emergency In Turkey

### RECENT REPORTS DENIED

ISTANBUL, Feb. 26 (Reuter) — The reports that Turkey has declared a State of Emergency are absolutely without foundation. The country is perfectly calm and there is no evidence that any abnormal situation exists.

### RESULT OF CONFUSION

The reports may have arisen as the result of confusion with the enforcement of the Economic Emergency Law, which has no military significance, but is simply designed to adapt national economy to defence requirements.

## LONDON GAZETTE

Supplement to Gazette of Feb. 9, WAR OFFICE, FEB. 12

### REGULAR ARMY

Col. R. Gurney placed on h.p. list (ill-health), Oct. 5, 1939.

### COMMANDS AND STAFF

Appts. made: Maj.-Gen. D. F. Anderson from Maj.-Gen. Gen. Staff, to be Cmr. Feb. 8, 2nd, Lt. E. Sachs, to be Staff Capt., Aug. 21, 1939. 2nd Lt. H. H. Lewis, Spec. List, to be spec. empld. Aug. 24, 1939.

### ROYAL ARMOURD CORPS

Capt. J. G. Leaf to be Maj. Feb. 12.

### ROYAL REGIMENT OF ARTILLERY

Lt. T. E. Inglis to be Capt. Jan. 23, Regt. Sgt.-Maj. H. E. Mead to be Lt. (Qr.-Mr.), Dec. 19, 1939.

### CORPS OF ROYAL ENGINEERS

Lt.-Gen. Sir G. G. Williams apptd. Col. Comdt. Feb. 10, vice Col. (hon. Maj.-Gen.) C. Coffin, ret. pay, who has attained age limit for appt.

### QUEEN ALEXANDRA'S L.M.

**NURSING SERVICE**

Prov. Staff Nurse Miss O. E. Webb resigns appt., Jan. 12 Prov. Staff Nurse Miss E. M. Harding confirmed in appt.

About 300 persons attended the dance of the Royal Air Force (H.Q. Seletar), which was held at the Adelphi Hotel roof garden, last week 9 p.m. till 2 a.m. Thanks to the ladies who attended and to the committee, consisting of Cpl. Crompton, Cpl. Staff-Brett, Sgt. Doughty and L. A. C. Power, the dance was one of the best ever held by the R. A. F. in Singapore.



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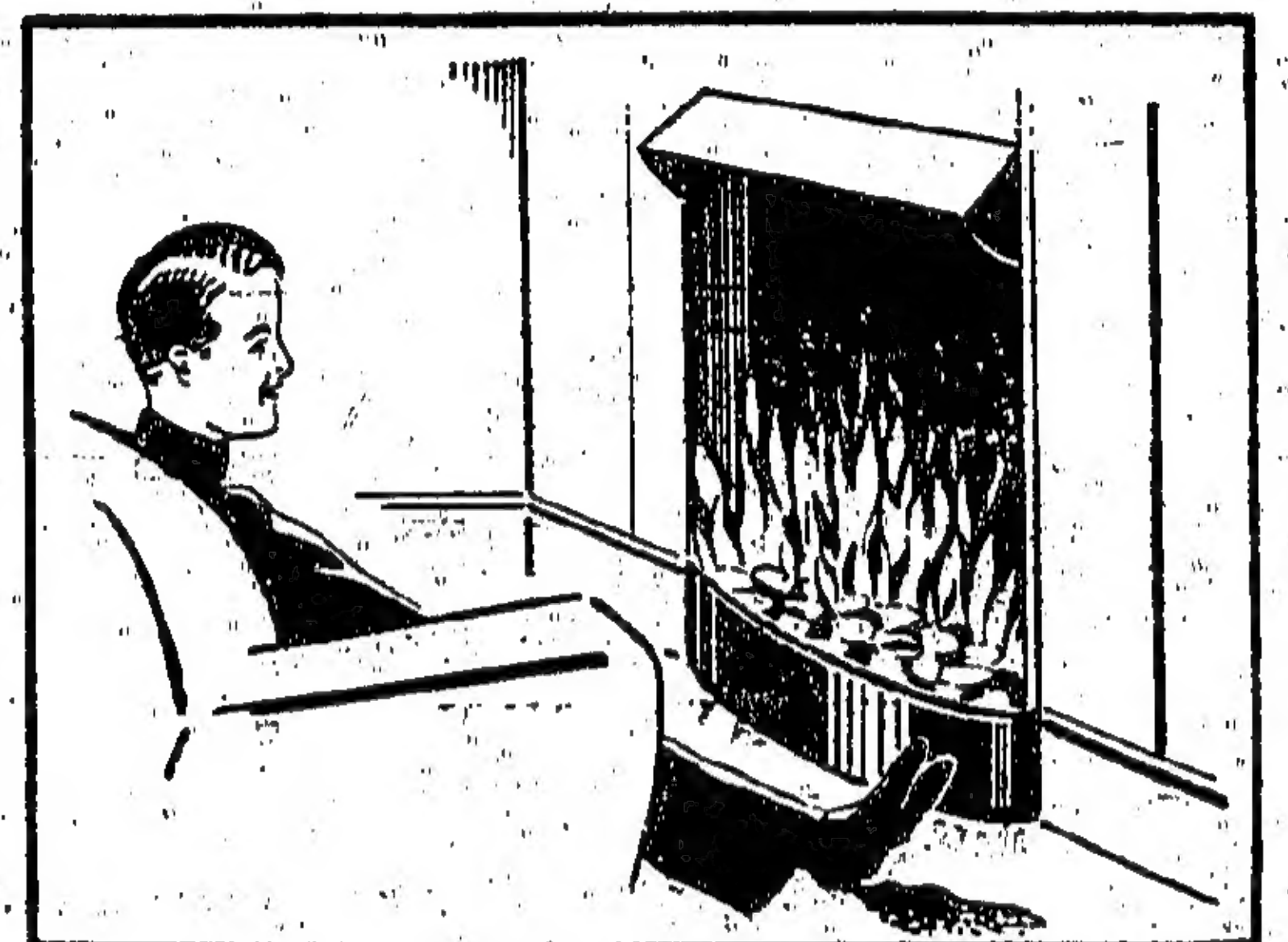
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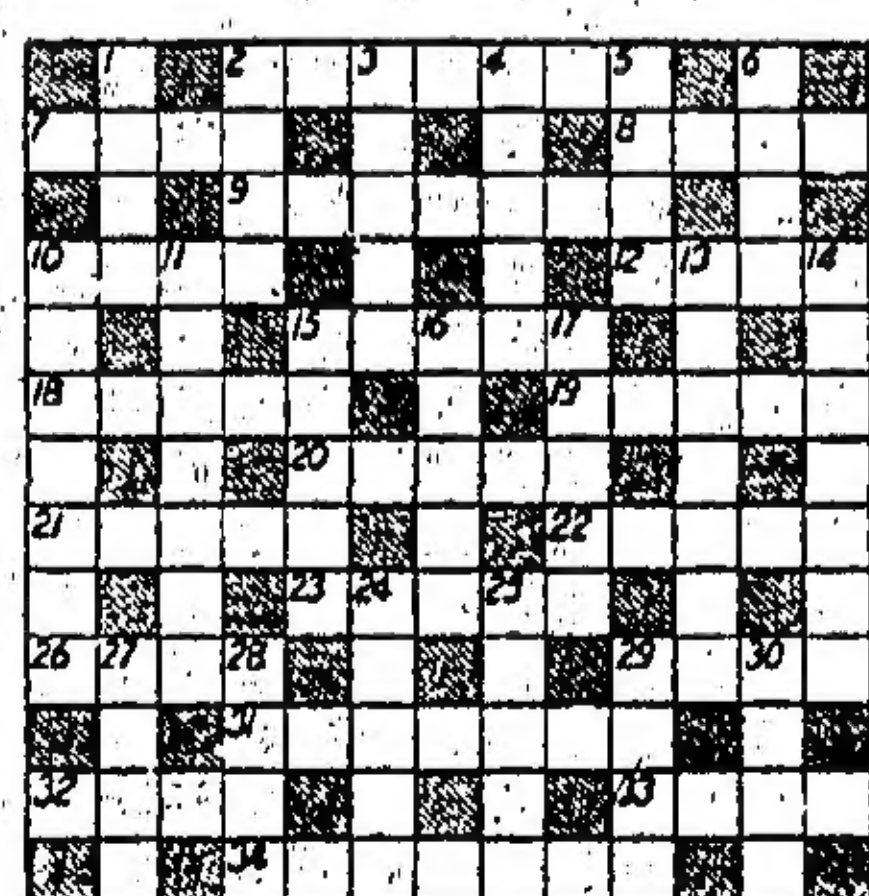
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# OFFICIAL OPENING OF NEW POWER STATION

Continued from Page 1

At the time of its lease in 1858 Power Co.'s own technical staff. Old Kowloon had a population of a little over 800 people. In eighty years a population of only 800 souls has grown to more than a million.

## FORMED IN 1901

Formed in 1901 for the primary purpose of taking over a going concern supplying electricity in Canton, the China Light and Power Company in 1903 began to operate the first power station in Kowloon. After a period of vicissitudes such as are often associated with pioneer ventures, the Company sold its Canton undertaking to the Chinese in 1908, the money thus obtained enabling it for the time being to overcome the serious difficulties with which it was confronted owing to an insufficiency of working capital.

Kowloon's first power station, a very modest and unpretentious building, stood on ground now occupied by the workshops of the Kowloon-Canton Railway at Hungshom. Upon the completion of the Kowloon-Canton Railway in 1911, when great hopes were raised for the future of Kowloon, the Company decided to scrap most of its old machinery and to install larger units.

In 1916, the Company's first turbines—two 750 K.W.B.T.H. turbo-alternators—were installed and put into operation together with the necessary boiler plant; these turbines, it is interesting to add, are still in service. In the same year, the Company commenced to supply its first large industrial load, as it then appeared—about 300 K.W.

## A MILE-STONE

The conclusion of the Great War marked for the Company a mile-stone in its history. In the memorable year 1918 a complete reconstruction was carried out; the old station site was exchanged with Government for K.M.L. 93 at Hok Un, upon which, after it had been reclaimed, was erected the power station which has supplied electricity for light and power to Kowloon ever since.

Later an air raid shelter capable of housing approximately 200 people has now been provided. Today the Company's property at Hok Un comprises an area of no less than eight acres.

The selection of the new site speaks well for the vision of those responsible. In a public utility undertaking of this nature, breadth of vision is an invaluable asset, and confidence in the future backed by the judicious expenditure of required capital ahead of time is essential.

Mr. Kadoorie then gave interesting comparisons of the Company's records for the financial year 1938-39 (the year before the Great War) with those for 1938-39 (the last year of peace), which were illuminating, as they indicate developments not even thought of a quarter of a century ago.

## WORK COMPLETED

All the necessary underground work (such as the building of foundations, the installation of pump pits, and the construction of intake and discharge culverts) in connection with two further turbo-alternators—of 18,750 K.W. and 30,000 K.W., respectively—has been completed in readiness for the prompt installation of such additional plant as soon as conditions warrant its purchase.

The new power station is in general of steel frame construction, faced with reinforced concrete walls, designed to resist the high pressure of typhoons and to ensure complete water-tightness. Messrs. Frece, Cardew and Rider, of London, were the Consulting Engineers in connection with the plant and machinery, but the building was designed by our Consulting Engineer, Mr. S. E. Faber, A.F.C., M.Inst.C.E., who was responsible for preparing the drawings and specifications, and under whose direction the work was carried out.

Messrs. Davies, Brooke & Grant, of Hongkong and Shanghai, were the Consulting Architects, and the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Co., Ltd., under the constant, personal supervision of its General Works Manager, Mr. Hugh Braga, B.Sc., were the General Contractors.

## THANKS OF BOARD

The Consulting Engineer, the Contractors, and resident representatives of British manufacturers, as well as the China Light and

I trust that Your Excellency and our guests today are as satisfied as we are that this modern power station befits the growing city of Kowloon. Kowloon today has a significance beyond of merely a suburban residential area. The early exemplary efforts of pioneers have made possible the establishment and development of projects that have gradually attained the size of large and important undertakings. It is to be hoped that nothing will prevent Kowloon from gradually developing into a manufacturing centre of some importance.

This fine new building is frankly designed with an optimistic view to the future and is symbolic of the faith of the China Light and Power Co. in the greater progress and development of the Colony of Hongkong in general and of Kowloon and the New Territories in particular.

Industries ranging in size from the manufacture of joss sticks to the building of ocean-going steamers, and as different in their nature as the preserving of ginger and the mining of lead ore, are today dependent for their operation on power supplied by this Station. It is only in proportion to the unhampered growth in the demand for power by these and other industries that our foresight can be justified and the spaces at present unoccupied in this building be taken up by newer and larger generating plant.

On this occasion we wish prosperity to our many consumers, to whom it is our constant endeavour to provide service with efficiency and with whose success our future is so intimately bound up.

May I, in conclusion, once more thank Your Excellency for coming here today. I will now ask you, Sir, to declare this Power Station officially opened.

## GOVERNOR'S SPEECH

In declaring the Power Station open, His Excellency said:—

The story of the growth of this great Company to which you have just been listening cannot have failed to make a deep impression upon all of you who were not already "in the know"; and the first offer of congratulation which I shall make today is to the Company's able and courteous Chairman, Mr. Lawrence Kadoorie, on his achievement in putting before us so simply and effectively his complex and absorbing tale.

Doubtless, as we listened to Mr. Kadoorie the thought struck other minds as well as my own: "what would Kowloon have been today had it not been for the vision and the faith of Mr. H. G. Shewan and his fellow-directors during the first twenty years of this century? Suppose that instead of marching ahead as a standard bearer—as they did—the local light and power company had been governed by a cautious policy, hesitating twice or three before each step forward; would we have had on the Peninsula today the amazing development of shops, hotels and factories which the last twenty years have seen and which is still, I am glad to say, in rapid progress? I think it very unlikely.

The provision of light and power is essentially fundamental to sound progress and the inhabitants of Kowloon are very deeply indebted—perhaps some of them in more senses than one—to the China Light & Power Company for what the energy and foresight of its directors have brought into being.

## WHAT OF FUTURE

So much for the past: what of the future? The building in which you find yourselves supplies the best answer to that question. For this vast room is designed to house three times the plant which is now within it and which is adequate to all Kowloon's present needs; and the rest of the Station is on the same courageously far-sighted scale. In the face of those facts can any of you doubt that the vision and the faith of the present Board which sanctioned the huge expenditure necessary for such an enterprise is as clear and as strong as those which animated the Company's founders? There can be but one answer.

What is it that that vision foresees and on what does that faith rest? Obviously it is to a great manufacturing future for this town of Kowloon and its suburbs that the China Light & Power Company is looking, and I readily take my stand beside them in that confidence.

It is with the same end in view that Government must frame its

# SHOOTING AFFRAY IN WANCHAI

## TWO INDIANS DEAD

A shooting affray which occurred at the top floor of 93, Jaffe Road in Wanchai, at 3 o'clock on Monday morning resulted in the death of two Indian watchmen, and another being seriously wounded. It is believed that the shooting was not available, resulted from a quarrel over money matter. The deceased were Santa Singh, Watchman No. 331, and Lal Singh, Watchman No. 316, whilst the wounded is Watchman No. 339, Inder Singh. It is alleged that Lal Singh after shooting Santa Singh through the chest, turned his 38 revolver on Inder Singh who received a wound on the thigh. After the shooting he ran up to the roof and was later found dead with a gunshot wound in the head.

# SEVEN CASES OF SMALL-POX ON SUNDAY LAST

Seven cases of small-pox (two from Victoria, four from Kowloon, and one from the Harbour) thirty four cases of tuberculosis, seven cases of dysentery, six cases of cerebro-spinal fever, three cases of enteric fever and one case each of diphtheria, scarlet fever, chicken-pox and purpural fever were notified to the Health Department on Feb. 25.

schemes for the development of the port, of the aerodrome and of the town itself, and I am happy to be in a position to reflect that all those problems are about to undergo close investigation by experts.

## FAST SCHEME

But the future of Kowloon is too vast a scheme for treatment at a moment such as this and I will not attempt the task. I endorse on your behalf, ladies and gentlemen, the warm praise which Mr. Kadoorie has justly given to those who have played a part in the building of this palatial power station.

I will not name again all those deserving and distinguished persons and firms of whom he spoke but if, following the example of a famous lady novel writer, I might single out one for mention it would be Mr. Faber for the beauty and grandeur of his design, which even a non-technical person like myself can appreciate.

Mr. Chairman and Directors, I feel greatly privileged to have been invited to open this magnificent Power Station and to be the mouthpiece of those present. I assure you that all of your guests today join with me in wishing all prosperity to the China Light & Power Company and with those good wishes I declare your new Power Station open.

## ON THE DAIS

With His Excellency the Governor and Mr. Kadoorie on the dais were Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Hon. Sir Henry Pollock, Hon. Mr. H. R. Butters, Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster, Mr. Albert Raymond, Mr. E. Kadoorie, Rt. Rev. R. O. Hall, Rt. Rev. H. Valtorta, Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Mr. D. W. Munton, A. M. I. E. E. (Manager), Mr. A. H. Compton, Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Mr. Hugh Braga, Mr. S. E. Faber, Mr. I. N. Murray, B. Sc., M. I. E. E., A. M. I. Mech. E. (Deputy Manager) and Mr. F. C. Clemo (Executive Engineer-Station Superintendent).

Others present were Lady Northcote, who accompanied His Excellency, Lady Clark Kerr, Mr. Addison E. Southard, Mr. H. and Mrs. F. Vanderstaeten, Mrs. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Mrs. R. A. C. North, Sir Vandeleur Grayburn, Mrs. Lawrence Kadoorie, Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, Mrs. M. K. Lo, Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, Mrs. H. R. Butters, Lady Pollock, Mrs. Addison E. Southard, Mrs. S. E. Faber, Mrs. P. C. Clemo, Mrs. Hugh Braga, Mrs. J. J. Paterson, Mrs. A. Raymond, Mrs. A. H. Compton, Marquis and Marchioness G. Pagano Di Melito, M. and Mme. L. Reynaud, Mr. K. Okazaki, Capt. E. Batty-Smith, A.D.C. to H.E., Mr. G. Trevorton (Private Secretary), Hon. Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Shields, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Leo D'Almeida e Castro, Jnr., Hon. Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Dodwell, Hon. Mr. A. B. Purves, Mr. Justice and Mrs. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. R. M. Layalle, Mr. and Mrs. D. G. E. Middleburg, Mr. D. F. A. Westman, Mrs. D. G. Windt, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. King, Misses C. and M. King, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Li Tai-fong, Misses Helen and Doris Kow-wai.

# ANNUAL FINANCE CAMPAIGN OF Y.W.C.A.

## LADY POLLOCK IS HON. CHAIRMAN

The Y.W.C.A. annual finance campaign was officially opened yesterday afternoon with a tea for more than 200 women and girls who are to campaign for funds.

Lady Pollock is Honorary Chairman of the Campaign; the other five chairmen are Mrs. Sui-feng Huang, a vice-president of the World's Y.W.C.A. and a member of the National Y.W.C.A. Committee, Mrs. Henry Lin, also a member of the National Y.W.C.A. Committee, Dr. Catherine Woo, Honorary Treasurer, and Mrs. Kau Yau-Man both representing the Hongkong Y.W.C.A., and Mrs. Jade Wong Wu of the Canton Y.W.C.A.

Dr. Yang Su-lan and Mrs. Hsueh Wei-tsung-Pei of the National Y.W.C.A. have come from Shanghai to help in this campaign.

At yesterday's tea Mrs. Kan Yau-Man presided; the Kung Kwok Girls Club sang campaign songs in which all joined. Members of the Y.W.C.A. Cooking classes acted as hostesses.

Miss Shin Vak-Hing, the General Secretary of the Hongkong Y.W.C.A. explained the plans and details of the campaign; Dr. Law Yau-Tai of True Light School gave the inspirational address; and a ceremony of commitment ended the programme.

The goal of this finance effort is thirty thousand dollars for the three Y.W.C.A.'s—Hongkong, Canton and National. The first report will be held at the Y.W.C.A. on Monday, March 4.

# CONVICTED FOR NINTH TIME

## UTTERED FORGED LETTER

Admitting eight previous convictions, including three for obtaining money on false pretences, Li Yau-chuen, who was found guilty at the Criminal Sessions yesterday on charges of uttering a forged letter and obtaining money by this means, was sentenced by Mr. Justice J. E. Lindsell to four years' hard labour on each count, sentences to run concurrently.

Mr. J. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted, assisted by Sgt. D. G. Macpherson. The following formed the jury:—Messrs. A. E. Macfarlane (Foreman), F. W. J. Grinter, Frank Chan Woo-fan, Chan Sui-lun, Chan Kai, G. S. Moqorian and Yung Hing-hing.

It was stated that accused had obtained the sum of \$3 from the son of Chui Chi-ching, a refugee, by presenting a letter alleged to have been written by Chun Sai-ping, a relative, residing in the country, asking for money.

Accused's defence was that he had been asked by a man, Kong Cheung, to present the letter and that he did not know it was false.

# PROMINENT H.K. TENNIS PLAYER TO MARRY

The engagement of Mr. Tsui Yun-pai, younger of the two Tsui brothers, who are leading figures in Hongkong tennis, and Miss Ip Yau-hing of No. 10 On Wo Lane, was announced yesterday, when notice of their forthcoming marriage was given at the Registry, Supreme Court.

Other forthcoming marriages are: Mr. Ralph Alexander Saint Clair Sprout Bolton, naval officer, residing at Gloucester Building, and Miss Ariane Philippe, of the Consulate General de France, Singapore; Mr. Chang Yung Jih, cameraman, of No. 170 Gloucester Road, third floor; and Miss Yuen Lai-ngor, of No. 439 King's Road.

Mr. Lam Hon-biu, bank clerk, of No. 15 Poplar Street, first floor, and Miss Yung Shin-yuk, of No. 32 Lee Tung Street, first floor;

Mr. Leong Ping-kee, merchant, of No. 30A Stanley Street, and Miss Yu Wai-sheng, of No. 334 Lockhart Road first floor;

Mr. San Wai-tor, clerk, of No. 29 Seymour Road, and Miss Kwan Bik-har, of No. 3 Ning Young Terrace.

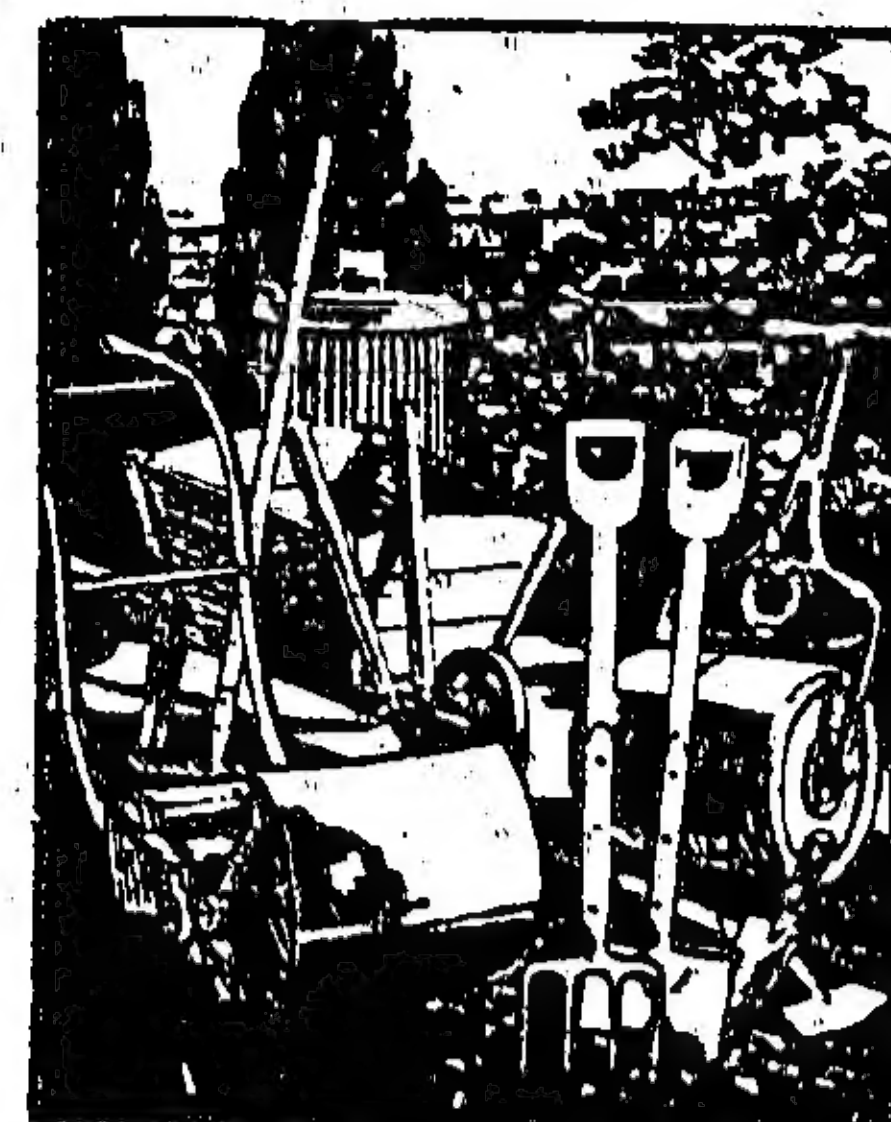
# FAR EASTERN HEALTH

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ending February 17 states:—Plague: Cebu 1 death, Cholera: Calcutta 44 cases, Small-pox: Jodhpur 21 deaths, Delhi 1 case, Calcutta 2, Bombay 31, Calcutta 52, Karachi 7, Madras 2, Negapatam 11, Rangoon 50, Port-bandar 3 deaths, Macao 23 cases, Hongkong 23 and Shanghai 1.

# MR. AW BOON-HAW'S GIFT FOR RELIEF WORK

Mr. Alfred Morris has the honour to acknowledge the gift of five-thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) from Mr. Aw Boon-haw to be applied to relief work in the New Territory.

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# MUSICAL EVENT AT ST. TERESA'S THIS EVENING

## "Resurrection of Christ"

An event in the musical season is the performance of Don Lorenzo Perosi's oratorio, "The Resurrection of Christ" by the Choral Group at St. Teresa's Church at 5.45 p.m. today. Presented by the same group of amateur singers at the China Fleet Club Theatre last year, the oratorio is generally regarded as the masterpiece of a composer whose fame has extended to every country. Perosi, who has been director of the Sistine Chapel Choir in Rome for more than 35 years, has poured into "The Resurrection" all the distinctive qualities of his music, its freedom of rhythm and its emphasis on melody rather than on harmony, which have never failed to enthral listeners.

## PRINCIPAL PARTS

The principal parts in the oratorio, in which the Choral Group will be directed by Maestro E. Guadagni with the assistance of a full orchestra, are being taken by Mr. Gaston D'Aquino, Mr. Alec Greaves and Mrs. Sylvia Choy. As the Narrator, Mr. D'Aquino undertakes the burden of the greater part of the singing, whilst Mr. Greaves and Mrs. Choy, singing the parts of Christ and Mary Magdalene, are also entrusted with several passages of unusual beauty.

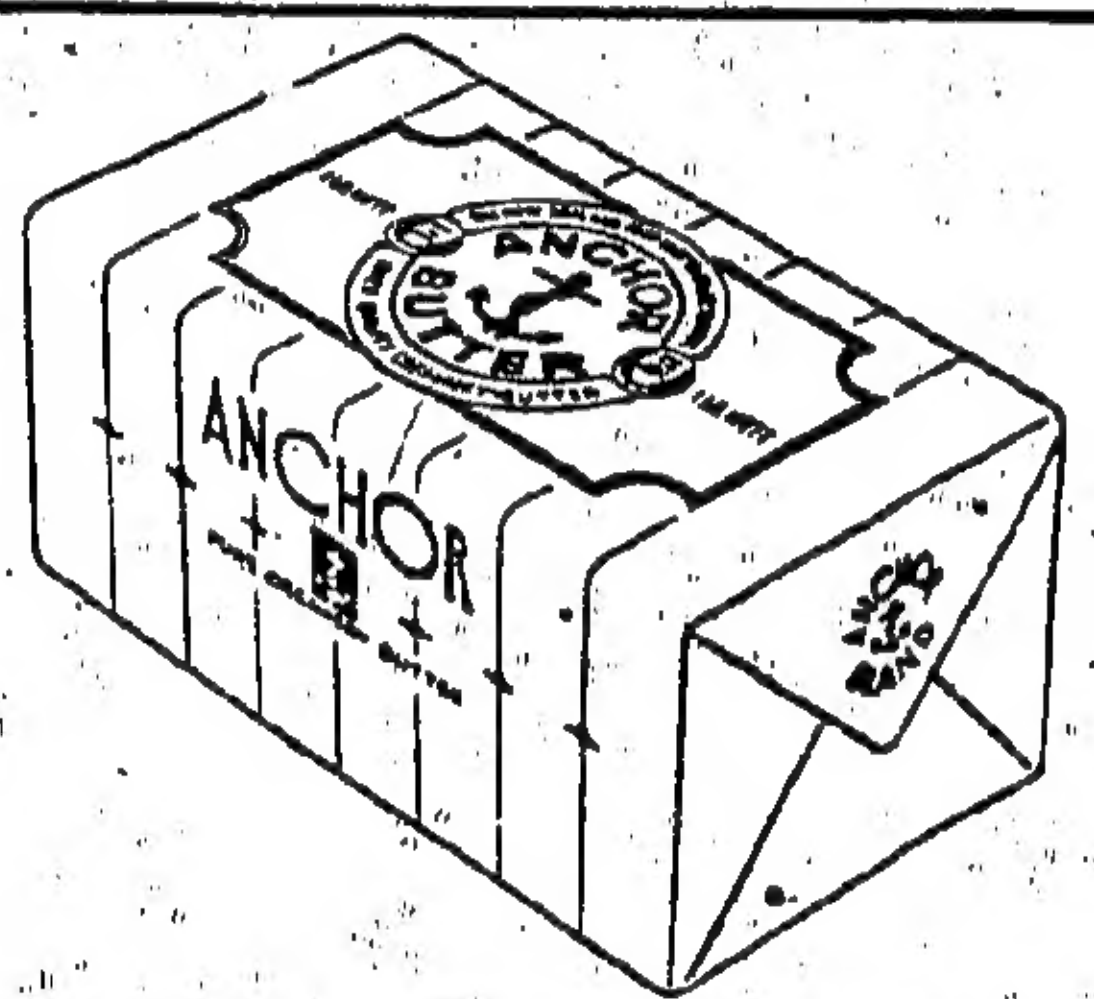
Mrs. Gertrude Goddard will sing the part of the Virgin Mary, Mr. Marcello Grute is Pilate, the Misses Carmen Silva and Chao Mei-lan are two Angels, whilst Mr. John Cheung sings solo in the chorus of the Faithful. Admission is \$2, \$1 and 50 cents, and tickets are obtainable at all music dealers or at the door of the Church. Proceeds are in aid of charity.

# A NEW POLICE SUB-STATION

A new Police Sub-Station was opened on Sunday. The station, which is located near Professor Digby's residence, is called the Wanchai Gap Sub-Station and is in the charge of Sub-Inspector C. Hastings.

# CASE WITHDRAWN

Withdrawal of a case against a comrade of the late Shun Chik, charged with an offence against the Defence Regulations in that he had in his possession letters and documents for the purpose of sending them into the Colony or out of the Colony other than by post, was requested by the police at Kowloon Court yesterday on the ground that no evidence could be produced that the letters were written outside of the Colony. The defendant had been arrested in a sampans in harbour.



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NOTICE is also hereby given that the Singapore Transfer Registers will be closed from Friday, 8th March, to Thursday, 14th March, 1940, both days inclusive, for the preparation of Dividend Warrants.

By Order of the Board,  
DERRICK & CO.,  
Chartered Accountants,  
Local Secretaries.

Hong Kong Bank Chambers,  
SINGAPORE, 17th Feb. 1940.

## ADVERTISEMENTS

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Fifty-first Ordinary Yearly Meeting will be held at the Company's Registered Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building on Thursday, 21st March, 1940, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1939, electing Directors and Auditors and fixing their fees.

The Register of Members of the Company will be closed from 9th March, to 21st March, 1940, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
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Hong Kong, 22nd Feb., 1940.

## HONG KONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 28th February, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1939.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Thursday the 15th February to Wednesday the 28th February, 1940, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
V. M. GRAYBURN,  
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 8th Feb., 1940.

## China's Most Important Weapons

CHUNGKING, Feb. 26: (Central) The increase of production and the enforcement of an economic blockade are the two most important weapons with which China is waging her economic war against Japan, declared Dr. Wong Wen-hao, Minister of Economics, in a broadcast speech on Saturday.

Referring to the increase of production, Dr. Wong stated that while more arms and ammunition, foodstuffs and clothing materials will be produced for soldiers at the front, the exports of tea, silk, tung oil, bristles, wool and minerals will be boosted in order to obtain foreign exchange.

Dwelling on the economic blockade, Dr. Wong enjoined his audience never to buy Japanese goods, which he classified into three categories, namely, those manufactured in Japan and her colonies, those manufactured by Japanese factories outside of Japan and her possessions, and those forcibly taken away by Japan from China.

He also urged the people in the rear and at the front not to supply the Japanese with war materials and labour.

On the other hand, he said, commodity prices in the rear will be stabilised and production increased.

## MERCHANT SHIPS ARMED FOR OWN PROTECTION

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—Mr. R. A. Butler, replying to questions in the House of Commons, said that from the outbreak of war until Feb. 22, there had come to the knowledge of the British Government 128 cases in which unarmed British merchant ships and fishing vessels had been attacked by enemy aircraft.

The Foreign Under-Secretary added that the vessels were being armed for their own protection.

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## NYLON COMES TO STAY

LAST MONTH the du Pont Company announced that commercial production of nylon, their new silk substitute, had actually commenced at their plant at Seaford, Delaware. This announcement coincided with a startling rise in the price of raw silk which impelled manufacturers to shift to other materials. It looked almost as though nylon had arrived on the scene at the psychological moment to capture the silk market, ruin the Japanese silk producer and, perhaps, help China win the war.

ACTUALLY, this picture is very much exaggerated. Nylon has not yet arrived, and it may be several years before it is able to offer really serious competition with the natural product. Japan is at present reaping large returns from high-priced silk, her exports to the U.S. having increased in value though declining in volume (see "Silk Boom Follows Crop Shortage," Far Eastern Survey, Apr. 12, 1939, p. 94). Even if the fantastic price level now current is not maintained, there is no immediate prospect of the wholesale replacement of silk in the American hosiery trade.

FROM THE LONG-RUN point of view, however, the advent of nylon may prove to be a major event in the history of Japanese economic development and of Pacific area trade—as was that of rayon some thirty years ago. For the loss of her American silk market would have disastrous consequences in Japan's agricultural economy and would necessitate drastic readjustments in her foreign trade and, indeed, throughout her economic organization.

SILK, in one sense, is Japan's most important export product since it is the only major export which does not depend on imported raw materials. Returns on silk are clear gain in terms of foreign exchange. Silk is also the mainstay of existence for some two million farm families whose income from other crops is not sufficient to make ends meet. In addition, the reeling and handling of silk furnish employment to at least half a million persons. More than two thirds of Japan's silk output is normally exported, mostly to the U.S. In 1925 silk exports amounted to ¥830 million, or 38% of Japan's total exports.

SINCE THEN THE SILK TRADE has been slowly declining (see "Japanese Silk and the American Market," Far Eastern Survey, Feb. 12, 1936, p. 31). The heaviest blow came in 1929 with the collapse of American prosperity. The average price of silk in the U.S. dropped from \$4.93 per lb. in 1929 to \$1.29 in 1934. The value of Japanese exports fell to a third of its former level. The quantity did not decline very much for Japanese production remained high despite the price drop. But the share of silk in the total value of Japan's exports decreased from 36% in 1929 to 13% in 1934. The drastic dislocations and readjustments produced in Japan's economy by the collapse of the American silk market had much to do with the subsequent expansion of her export trade in other lines.

COMPETITION from rayon also played a part in the decline of silk prices and consumption. Since 1929 the

## ALLEGED FORGED BANKNOTES

## Trader Committed To Sessions

An itinerant trader, named Chan Ching-hung, aged 22, was committed to the Criminal Sessions by Mr. H. G. Sheldon at the Central Court yesterday on charges of uttering and possession of forged banknotes.

Detective-Inspector W. N. Darkin said that about 9 p.m. on February 2 the defendant went to the Tung Hing store, Ewo Street, and tendered a \$5 note for a packet of cigarettes. The accountant examined the note and found it was a forgery. He returned it to the defendant, who in turn tendered a dollar note for payment.

The accountant, after having given change to the defendant, went inside the shop and made some remarks, and during the conversation, another folk told him that about two hours ago a person had successfully tendered a forged \$5 note.

On hearing this, the accountant ran out of the shop and arrested the defendant as he was boarding a tram. The defendant, who apparently knew that he was being chased, threw the forged note under the tram. This was picked.

sumption. Since 1929 the consumption of silk in the U.S. has declined about 30% while that of rayon has increased some 200%. Silk now forms only about 10% of the combined consumption of both fibers, as against 40% ten years ago. Rayon has largely displaced silk in the manufacture of woven goods, but as yet silk is still supreme in full-fashioned hosiery.

SILK HAS MAINTAINED its position in hosiery manufacture because of its superior appearance, elasticity and other qualities. But now this claim is disputed by the new synthetic fibers of which nylon is the most prominent, although vinyon, a slightly different product, is also being produced experimentally. Nylon is quite different from rayon, being made not from cellulose but from coal, air and other materials. It is said to be equal or even superior to silk for the manufacture of fine hosiery. If these claims are substantiated by the test of consumer use and if nylon can compete with silk on a price basis, it will undoubtedly constitute a very serious threat to the future of the Japanese silk trade.

THIS THREAT WILL NOT MAKE itself felt with full force for some years to come, in all probability. Although commercial, as distinct from laboratory, production is now under way, it is still experimental in character. The capacity of the du Pont's Seaford plant is reported to be 4,000,000 lbs. a year, or less than 10% of American silk consumption. Nylon hosiery is expected to be on the market in small quantities by next summer. At first, it is thought, it will compete with silk largely in the field of high-priced hosiery retailing at \$1.15 and up. Later, as production increases, it will doubtless invade the field of lower-priced hosiery and woven goods as well—if the price permits. Very little data is obtainable on the cost of production of nylon.

IN ANY CASE, under the most favourable circumstances it will take several years before nylon can be produced in large quantities. Here the history of rayon may offer a parallel. In 1911, the U.S. produced 363,000 lbs. of rayon yarn. Five years later the output was 5,778,000 lbs. Not until 1927 did the consumption of rayon overtake that of silk.

IF, THEREFORE, nylon repeats the history of rayon the prospect is for a gradual but inexorable invasion of Japanese silk's last remaining stronghold on hosiery trade. We have seen that the decreased demand for silk during the depression affected price first, and quantity much later and more slowly. Competition from nylon is likely

## SHIPPING MAN'S BIG GIFT TO CHINESE RELIEF



The above is a photograph of the cheque for \$10,000 presented by Mr. Eric Moller, on behalf of himself and his sons, to Mme. Sun Yat-sen, Chairman of the China Defence League, to be used to carry on the work of the late Dr. Norman Bethune under the International Peace Hospitals scheme.

## Nazi Hatred Spreads To Red Indians

Special to H.K. Daily Press NEW YORK, Feb. 26 (Havas)—Hatred of the Nazis has spread to Red Indian tribes in Arizona: reports from Tucson stated that the Indians have decided to give up the swastika as their tribal insignia.

In the course of a solemn ceremony all blankets and wickers, bearing the swastika, were piled up and set on fire.

A proclamation, signed by four tribal chiefs, banned the use of the swastika, which "has been considered for centuries as a symbol of friendship by our ancestors, has been profaned by another nation."

## RICE REPORT DENIED

Special to H.K. Daily Press SHANGHAI, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—Local French authorities denied reports of a prohibition of rice exports from Saigon. Fifty-five thousand tons were allowed to leave Indo-China since January 3 while the issue of export licences are continuing.

## ASHES OF LORD TWEEDSMUIR

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—The ashes of the late Lord Tweedsmuir have arrived in London and will be buried in Scotland.

NAVAL GUARD OF HONOUR The casket containing the ashes was landed at Plymouth from a British warship. A Naval guard of honour, with rifles reversed, was mounted at the landing place. The late Lord Tweedsmuir's two sons awaited the arrival of the casket, also the Lord Mayor of Plymouth.

The urn was put on a train for London.

## FLYING DRAGON

SHANGHAI, Feb. 26 (Int'l)—The Flying Dragon, a giant passenger aircraft which took off from Hanada airport, Tokyo this morning for Bangkok, may make a landing in Canton after a stop-over at Taihou, Formosa.

A stop somewhere in South China is necessary, as the French authorities in Hanoi refuse to let the plane have an over-night stop there owing to the bombing of the Kunming-Hanoi Railway. Negotiations are still proceeding. The passenger plane is piloted by Captain Matsui.

## WESTERN FRONT

Reuter reports that a War communiqué issued in Paris yesterday states that there was increased activity by contact units on various points of the front between the Moselle and the Saar.

to have the same effect—forcing the price down slowly until it finally reaches a point where even the Japanese cannot afford to produce it. Even then it is not likely that rayon and nylon will displace silk altogether; a small quality market will doubtless remain. But if nylon repeats the performance of rayon, the effect on Japan five or ten years from now will be serious in the extreme—unless Japan can effect such reorganizations in her national economy and such diversification in her export trade, as to offer a substitute livelihood for those millions of her people who depend on the American silk stocking to fill their daily rice bowl.—Miriam S. Farley in Far Eastern Survey.

## CORRESPONDENCE

## URBAN COUNCIL ELECTION

(To the Editor, The Hongkong Daily Press)

Sir,—Dr. R. A. de Castro Basto, who is seeking reelection to the Urban Council, has the following degrees and diplomas, M.D., B.A., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., and D.O.M.S.

During his nine years of Public Service, formerly on the Sanitary Board and latterly on its successor, the Urban Council, Dr. Basto has shown himself interested in many diseases and particularly in the various epidemics of cerebro-spinal meningitis, dysentery, cholera, small-pox, and malaria and tuberculosis.

He has from time to time criticised:

(1) The unsatisfactory methods of refuse removal.

(2) The insanitary conditions of Kowloon.

(3) The insufficient watering and flushing of the streets.

(4) The present system of night-soil disposal. (He was actually serving on a special committee for the re-organisation of the system when his term expired.)

(5) The deforestation of the hillsides, etc., etc.

Dr. Basto has always strongly advocated all forms of Health Propaganda.

After we venture as his proposer and seconder, to solicit the vote of the Electors to the Urban Council, for Dr. Basto at the contested election which is to be held in the Registrar's Office, at the Supreme Court, on Thursday the 29th February, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Yours faithfully,

H. E. POLLOCK

C. M. MANNERS

## UNITED SERVICE ON GOOD FRIDAY

(The Editor, The Hongkong Daily Press)

Sir—Most of your readers will be aware that for some years past the Christian Churches in Kowloon have united in a Service of Christian Witness on Good Friday, at 11.30 a.m. We are planning to hold such a service this year, and so far the Anglican Churches, both English-speaking and Chinese, the Salvation Army, the Union Church, and the Y.M.C.A., have been approached and are sharing in the service.

I am writing to you in case there are other Christian bodies in Kowloon who would like to have a share in this service, and whom I have not so far written to. I should be grateful if they would write to me, or telephone me, so that I can make sure that their co-operation is not wasted.

Rev. H. D. ROSENTHAL

FINLAND FUND

(To the Editor of the Hongkong Daily Press)

Sir,—The total donations to the above Fund have now reached \$10,975 and a further \$200 was remitted by telegraphic transfer on Saturday, making a total contribution from Hongkong of \$11,175.

Yours faithfully,

W. J. HANSEN,

Consul for Finland.

## MENINGITIS IN CHENGKIANG

KUNMING, Feb. 26 (Int'l News Agency)—There has been an alarming outbreak of meningitis in Chengkiang, 20 miles south of here and site of the National Sun Yat-sen University. Four persons connected with the university died in four hours on Saturday.

The university has sent two representatives there to secure medical assistance from the Central Anti-Epidemic Bureau. There is a shortage of foreign medicine in Chengkiang.

## INDIAN TEXTILE STRIKE OFF

AHMEDABAD, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—The general strike fixed for today by the Textile Labour Association, has been called off following an agreement reached this morning.

The decision to call a strike for Feb. 26 was made after failure to agree with the owners regarding a cost of living allowance and would have involved 100,000 workers.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF KOWLOON UNION CHURCH

## Poor Attendance At Evening Worship

The annual meeting of the Kowloon Union Church was held at the Church Hall last night. Mr. A. W. Ingram, Chairman of the Church Committee, presided, and was assisted by Mr. L. Starbuck, Hon. Secretary, and Mr. T. R. Ingram, Hon. Treasurer. There was a fairly large gathering present, including the Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow and representatives of the Hongkong Union Church.

Mr. Ingram said that one item which could be called a real achievement last year was the completion of the Incorporation of the Church.

The speaker thanked the visiting clergy who had helped to conduct services in the absence of a pastor of the Church and expressed the hope that some definite steps be taken to engage a permanent pastor.

## FINANCES SOUND

The chairman said that the Church was in a sound financial position and showed a balance in the bank.

Mr. Starbuck, in his report, said that steps had been taken to engage a permanent pastor and members should not feel pessimistic.

Commenting on attendance at worship, the Hon. Secretary recorded a poor turnout and remarked that while the attendance at Sunday morning service had always been above a sizeable minimum, empty pews were by no means few and the attendance at evening worship had been poor.

## OFFICERS ELECTED

The following officers were elected:

Hon. Secretary—H. Noble; Hon. Treasurer—T. R. Ingram; Committee of Management—A. W. Mackenzie, J. D. Provan, A. W. Ingram, L. Starbuck, F. H. Bowrey, the Rev. F. Short, Messdames A. Morton, F. H. Bowrey, J. McAlay, D. D. Richard, Niblock and H. H. Scott.

## PUPPET MAYOR STARTS BANK

SHANGHAI, Feb. 26 (Int'l)—Preparing for his exit as mayor of the Shanghai puppet municipal government in favour of Chu Min-yi, a follower of Wang Ching-wei, Fu Shao-en has organised a Central Asia Bank with a capital of \$4,000,000.

The puppet mayor will be chairman of the board of directors, and the bank will deal in Hua Hsing notes, national dollar and military yen.

## "Obstacle To Peace"

CHUNGKING, Feb. 26 (International)—Colonel Uchito, research director of the South China Press Department, who is a colleague of Colonel Sadaki Kagesa in supporting Wang Ching-wei, stated that the coming Wang regime not only cannot liquidate the China incident but is an obstacle to peace. Attention towards Wang has diverted to other channels, and the Japanese Government may also alter its attitude, he said.

A Rome report stated that Italy may not necessarily recognise the new regime just because of the telegram to Wang from the Foreign Minister, Count Ciano, while a Berlin dispatch discounted German recognition.



# THE FINNS WILL BE OVERWHELMED BY MAY UNLESS THEY RECEIVE AID ON A BIGGER SCALE THAN AT PRESENT

## The Times' Military Correspondent Reviews The War In Finland

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—A review of the war in Finland was broadcast on Sunday night by the military correspondent of The Times.

In Finnish circles, he said, one does not hear that contempt for the Russian Army which certain people have expressed somewhat too hastily.

The Finns say that some of the first Soviet troops were ill-equipped and not used to the cold, but this was not true of the majority.

Otherwise it appears that the Russian Army stands where it did in 1914, perhaps, rather higher—the men are still clumsy, but armaments are better even, as there has been a general improvement in all armies, while their military leaders, never brilliant, are rather worse.

The military correspondent said that he had never been pessimistic, but the Finns cannot hold out for long without outside aid and, even if they can for the next few months, they will be overwhelmed in May, unless aid is sent on a far bigger scale than at present.

The need now is great for more arms and more men, valuable though the Scandinavian volunteers have been.

By spring, if the offensive continues, men will be wanted, not by the thousand, but by the ten thousand and, with them, arms in proportion.

### LOSSES INEVITABLE

They accordingly piled up great stocks on the Karelian Isthmus and began an offensive. They suffered heavy losses—that was inevitable. But they applied pressure which must eventually smash the Finnish forces in the Summa Area.

Finland abandoned her outer defences and fell back to the reserve line the importance of this must be neither exaggerated, nor underestimated. It is serious for the Finns because it decreases the depth of their defences and brings the Soviet medium artillery within range of Viborg.

But the defences were designed to carry on with the battle and while the Finns have thus gained a breathing space the Russians must now advance all their artillery and it is devastated country which is in front of them.

### FINLAND NEEDS REINFORCEMENTS

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—The Dagens Nyheter declares that without material and humanitarian help extended by Sweden, both the war and home fronts in Finland would have given way long ago.

The newspaper adds that despite economy in soldiers ensured by Mannerheim tactics Finland is in great need of reinforcements in men and expresses the hope that new methods for enrolling volunteers in Sweden will, give the necessary result.

### WHAT NEXT?

Meantime, British arms and stocks are on their way in large quantities and volunteering for Finland has now been permitted and is going on. What is going to happen now?

## FINNISH POSITIONS IN LINE REPORTED TO BE STILL ALMOST INTACT. HELSINGFORS EVACUATION

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—The Finnish positions in the eastern part of the Mannerheim Line are practically intact. In the west, Soviet troops made no further progress towards Viborg and have not got into touch with the main Finnish defences.

The Soviet lines here form a salient and are "disturbed" at Koivisto, which is still held by the Finns.

It is true that the Finns say they have captured it—their announcement making it the second time in the last few days that they have "captured" Koivisto.

### FINNISH COMMUNIQUE

A Finnish communique states that Saturday was marked by local Russian attacks, in which they suffered heavy losses.

Finland artillery showed increased activity and dispersed several detachments and destroyed over seventeen tanks.

North-East of Lake Ladoga, the Finns repulsed the Russians and captured twenty-seven machine-guns and twenty-one Lewis-guns and destroyed two tanks.

In the direction of Petsamo, a Finnish patrol of ten men repulsed a detachment of 180 Russians on skis.

### EVACUATIONS

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—One hundred Finnish children and some mothers will leave Helsinki for Copenhagen on Mar. 5. They are the first batch of evacuees which Denmark, like other Scandinavian countries, is to receive.

At the same time, a second contingent of three hundred Danish metal workers left Copenhagen.

### RUSSIANS CLAIM BREAK THROUGH

MOSCOW, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—A Soviet war communique states that Soviet troops yesterday broke through the Finnish fortified zones and occupied twenty-eight defensive fortifications.

Repeated Finnish counter-attacks were repulsed with heavy losses to the Finns. Ten Finnish aeroplanes were brought down.



Upper picture shows Lee Wai-tong (extreme right) in action in the Kowloon Cup final on Sunday when South China A.A. defeated the Army by four goals to one. In the group below may be seen the Hon. Sir Robert Kowloon, donor of the trophy, with the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, who presented the cup at the conclusion of the game, on his left. Second from extreme right is Mr. Walter H. Chen, Hon. General Secretary of the S. China A.A.

## EXPORT TRADE IN WAR VITAL NECESSITY, SAYS MR. R. S. HUDSON

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—"Export trade in wartime is a vital necessity," said Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, speaking at Glasgow.

"If we are to obtain efforts on a grand scale or a heroic scale, which are necessary," Mr. Hudson added, "every man and woman must be willing to incur sacrifices. The necessities of these arise out of the very conditions of our national life."

Mr. Hudson then proceeded to say that in war all sorts of things cropped up to interfere with the smooth working of international trade and to make it less easy for Britain to pay for the goods she wanted.

Caution must impose a limit to the sale of gold and foreign securities—Britain's Maginot Line was to be jealously guarded and only to finally to be spent in the last resort.

An Export Council, consisting of

leading businessmen, Trade Union leaders and officials, had been set up. It was investigating urgently various problems and devising methods to overcome the difficulties.

We had to discuss with such industry what markets could most easily and quickly be developed and many, who never exported before, would be called upon to do their share.

NO LACK OF MARKETS  
It would not be prudent to assume that the war would necessarily be over this year and there was no lack of markets if Britain could deliver the goods quickly and at the right price.

"The war today is no longer an affair only between the armies. In the last resort, it is a struggle between manufacturer and manufacturer and shopkeeper and shopkeeper."

"If, in time of peace, we had to sell abroad to safeguard British standards of living, in time of war we have to do so even more so to safeguard our very lives."

The exports were on the eve of a fourth line of defence and Mr. Hudson preferred to think of them as a new British expeditionary force.

## MANNERHEIM

## Record Wheat Harvest For Australia

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—Australia will have a record wheat harvest this year, according to a broadcast statement.

Already 193,000,000 bushels have been delivered by the farmers and the total is expected to reach 250,000,000 bushels.

## RUBBER EXPORTS OF INDO-CHINA

Special to H.K. Daily Press  
HANOI, Feb. 26 (Havas).—Since the outbreak of war, Indo-Chinese rubber exports have markedly increased although world rubber statistics remained stationary. In December exports amounted to 110,118 tons, as against 6,540 in November, and 9,888 in December, 1938.

The total in 1939 was 65,140, as against 59,198 in 1938, and 19,559 in 1934.

### VIBORG DESTROYED

HELSINGFORS, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—An eye-witness, who has just returned from Viborg, says that the town is completely destroyed. Buildings and churches are in ruins and heavy columns of smoke rise continually.

Bombs have caused most damage but the Russians also shell the town every night. Only a few defence patrols are left in Viborg.

## Norway & The Altmark: Reply To Request Made By Britain

### ACTIONS MUST BE BASED ON TREATIES

OSLO, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—A statement has been presented to Lord Halifax by the Norwegian Legation in London in reply to the British request for full information regarding the way in which the Norwegian authorities had carried out the search on the Altmark.

CAPTAIN'S REPLY  
The statement says that when the Altmark was stopped by a second Norwegian torpedo boat, the Commander of which asked whether she had on board persons belonging to another belligerent navy or seamen who were subjects of another belligerent, the Captain replied in the negative.

The Norwegian Government stresses that the Altmark had

## Patriotic Songs Of China Published

A welcome production by the China Information Publishing Co. is a volume of China's patriotic songs with words in Chinese and English accompanying the music. They include the Chinese National Anthem, the National Flag Song, the March of the Volunteers, "Self Defence," the Soldiers' Patriotic Song, "Faithful Unto Death," the Song of the Great Wall, the Sword Blade March, "Soldiers' Departure," "For Our Nation Cannot Die," and the Song of Resistance. Of these the best known is the March of the Volunteers—the popular "Chin-lai" (Arise).

Mr. Lee Pao-chen has written a preface recording the outbreak of patriotic songs in China—grief and indignation finding its natural outlet. He acknowledges the enthusiastic co-operation of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. McCurdy, Miss Esther E. Tappert, Mr. Ma Pin-ho, Liu Hsueh-an, Mr. Chu Yung-kuei and many others, which made the production of the work possible.

There are explanatory notes for each of the songs. That for the "March of the Volunteers" states that it was written originally as a theme song for a talkie, spread over the country like fire and is still the most popular war song in China. The words are by Tien Han and the music by Nieh Erh, who was drowned in Japan a few years ago. Nieh was famous for his fine melodies.—(C.I.C.)

### NO CONTACT

BERLIN, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—A communique states that German chaser planes which went up over Helligoland Bight failed to make contact with the enemy.

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## NEUTRAL OPINIONS:

## HOW RIBBENTROP & HIS NAZI ASSOCIATES HAVE MISCALCULATED

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—The Swiss paper Tribune states: "The arrival of the Nazis is a striking reply to the activities of German agents, who have vainly sought to raise the peoples of the near and Middle East against 'Perfidious Albion,' another example of miscalculation by Herr von Ribbentrop and his associates concerning the disintegration of the British Commonwealth of Nations."

The Budapest paper Nemzetlitas, in an article on "British Imperial Constructive Work in Arabia," shows that the systematic work of the last twenty years in building a network of bases on the fringes of Arabia is facilitating the work of Gen. Weyand's Army.

### ALREADY DONE

The American paper Memphis Commercial Appeal states: "Don't worry about Germany swinging from Nazism to Communism. It has already occurred," says the head of the Foreign Policy Association.

The St. Louis Post Dispatch writes: "The report is current in economic circles that the only Russian oil Germany has obtained since the war began is in reality not from the wells of pre-war Russia, but from Russian-occupied Poland, the annual production of which has been only 450,000 tons."

### STRONG FEELING

The New York Times, in an article by Anne Clare McCormick, writes: "A Hungarian statesman made the remark that a pilgrim in South-Eastern Europe heard repeated in every capital he visited that 'in the east of Germany the feeling is stronger than in the West that Germany had already lost the war. It is strange that the nation most terrified by the powers of the Reich are the least to be impressed by the idea of Germany's invincibility.'"

## GERMAN NAVAL UNITS OFF PETSAMO

PARIS, Feb. 26 (Reuter).—It is stated here that the presence of British warships off Petsamo is due to the fact that there are some German naval units, including submarines, at Petsamo and Murmansk.

Mr. Pui Kong Lyn and Miss Hee Shu Chen were recently married at Kuala Lumpur.

## ROLE OF PEACE FOUND HARDER THAN IN 1914

It takes more courage to be a peacemaker in Europe today than in the midst of the World War.

That is the observation of Miss Dorothy Detzer, executive secretary of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, recently returned to Washington from a League executive meeting at Geneva.

A meeting like the peace congress of 3,000 women led by Jane Addams at The Hague in 1915 would be impossible anywhere in Europe today, due to strict travel and censorship regulations, Miss Detzer says.

League delegates from Sweden, Norway, The Netherlands, Finland, and Belgium were unable to get to Geneva to join British and French representatives because of passport and visa restrictions. Miss Detzer herself obtained a Swiss visa on condition that she would make no public statements in that country.

Long an advocate of federated world government as an instrumentality to permanent peace, the League, through its executive committee, came to the conclusion at Geneva that nations banding together would have to accept a basic definition of the rights of man before federated action could succeed.

"We were pleased to see that Mr. H. G. Wells came forth with the same idea about a week after we did," said Miss Detzer.

The Geneva group passed a resolution urging the President of the United States "to call a conference of all neutral countries having as its aim the putting forward of recommendations to the belligerent countries for the ending of conflict on such terms as will secure a just and durable peace."



# LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by

## PUBLIC AUCTION

Tuesday, the 27th February, 1940  
and  
Wednesday, 28th February, 1940

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By Appointment, Auctioneers to the Admiralty.

## BIG KOWLOON LOT BOUGHT BY Q.B. PIGGERIES

At a sale by public auction held at the Offices of the Public Works Department yesterday Kowloon Island Lot No. 4231, situated between To Kwa Wan Road and Heung Road, south-west of Kowloon Island Lot No. 4148, was purchased by Messrs. Q. B. Piggeries Ltd., for \$27,875, the upset price being \$19,875.

The area contains about 26,500 square feet and the annual rental is \$486.

Rural Building Lot No. 433, opposite Rural Building Lot No. 147, Island Road, Tytan, was bought by Mr. A. J. Walters, c/o J. S. Moraes, for \$3,750 which was the upset price. The area comprises about 15,000 square feet and the annual rental is \$172.

Garden Lot No. 113, at Mount Cameron Road, adjoining Rural Building Lot No. 429, containing an area of about 8,000 square feet, was purchased by Mrs. June Scott, c/o Concrete Products Ltd., at the upset price of \$400. The annual rental for the lot is \$18.

## British War Organisation Fund, H.K.

### LATEST LIST OF SUBSCRIPTIONS

The latest list of subscriptions to the British War Organisation Fund, Hongkong Branch, contains one donation for \$1,000 from Mr. F. V. Jensen, \$516 from the European and Chinese staff of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., \$530 from the Chinese Manufacturers' Union (proceeds of a Charity Sale of Chinese Products), \$250 from an anonymous donor, \$176 from the members of the Kowloon Recreation Club and \$169 from the Sisters' Quarters of the Queen Mary Hospital (proceeds of a Bridge & Mah Jongg Drive).

The total of the Fund is now \$419,702.62.

Previously acknowledged \$418,110.28. Anonymous 10, D. C. Davis (monthly) 25, Davis Brooke & Grant (monthly) 70, John Forbes (monthly) 25, M.G. Carruthers (monthly) 30, Some of the Chinese Staff—Holt's Wharf 44.14, G. Riddell-Carre (monthly) 25, D. W. Hume (monthly) 10, Bridge and Mah Jongg Drive—Sisters Quarters Queen Mary Hospital 169, Charity Sale, Exhibition of Chinese Products per Chinese Manufacturers' Union 630, Anonymous 250, Members of Kowloon Recreation Club 176, Rev. T. A. and Mrs. Broadfoot 176, Jan./Feb. 10, F. V. Jensen 1,000, European and Chinese Staff—H.K. & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. 530, F. Linnehan 25, Service Men's Dance—China Fleet Club 32.40, 68.20, Kowloon Bowling Green Club 65, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Alabaster—February 50. Total: \$419,702.62.

### BANKERS ORDER

Rev. T. A. and Mrs. Broadfoot (monthly) \$5.

## 200 DOGS & 25 CATS

### ENTRIES FOR H.K. DOG SHOW ON MARCH 10

Last year's canine champion of Hongkong, Tiger of Cuddington, will take part in the second annual Hongkong Dog Show on Sunday, Mar. 10, when a three month old litter of his pups will also be on view.

Tiger of Cuddington is a Great Dane and is the property of Mr. C. F. Woods of Taiipo.

### ENTRIES DOUBLED

This year's exhibition promises to be a great success. The entries are almost double of last year, with 200 dogs and 25 cats. There are also nine litters of dogs.

The largest classes are of Alsations, Wire-haired Terriers and Cocker Spaniels, but there are also a good number of Dachshunds, Tibetan Terriers and Scotties. Many of the dogs are for sale and the highest priced is labelled at \$100.

For the first time in Hongkong, Bedlington, Spitz and a couple of Fanning hounds will be on view.

### NEW JUDGES

The standard of judging promises to be very high, as, in addition to some of last year's judges, there are several canine experts, newly arrived in the Colony, who will assist in making awards. The show is, in aid of the British War Organisation Fund and is under the patronage of H.E. the Governor, H.E. Admiral Sir Percy Noble and H.E. Major General A. E. Grasett.

The organisers have taken special care to have larger judging rings and better stands than last year, and tidings and teas will be available on the grounds.

## PROMOTING PRODUCTIVE EDUCATION IN CHINA

CHUNGKING, Feb. 26 (Central).—The Ministry of Education is pushing with all possible speed the advancement of productive education in order to hasten national reconstruction.

During the last three years, courses on engineering, textile and dyeing, paper and leather-making, farming, animal husbandry, and other technical subjects specially opened in the various colleges and universities throughout the country have trained up an army of technical experts who are now rendering effective service throughout Free China.

Close contact is always maintained between the schools and Government and private organs in need of technical men, and opportunities are never allowed to be lost for the students to acquire the necessary amount of practice.

### PLANS MAPPED OUT

Plans have been mapped out for the establishment of a number of technical colleges in the North-West and Szechuan and a commercial navigation college in Chungking. Eighteen new engineering courses will be opened in the National Central University and other universities, for which the necessary funds and subsidies have been secured.

Special attention is paid by the Ministry to Provincial as well as private colleges regarding their technical courses, and of the government subsidy granted, at least 70 per cent are devoted to the development of these courses.

### TECHNICAL EDUCATION

In high schools technical education is also vigorously pushed by order of the Ministry.

A comprehensive plan for the promotion of agricultural and engineering education in the South-east and Northwest will be strictly carried out, and a sum of \$400,000 has been appropriated for special training classes for printers, surveyors, motor mechanics, nurses, textile workers, electricians, accountants, midwives, and others.

## NEW PRESIDENT LINER TO BE LAUNCHED ON JULY 1

The first of American President Lines fleet of new round-the-world liners, now built by the Maritime Commission, will be launched about July 1, and available for service about October 1 of this year, according to Mr. Henry E. Frick, Vice-President and Operating Manager, just returned to San Francisco from Washington and Newport News.

### THREE KEELS LAID

Mr. Frick stated that three keels for his Company's seven new Round-the-World ships, of the modified C-3 type have already been laid, and that the Commission's entire building programme for the American President Lines is progressing very satisfactorily. Asked about the two projected 35,000-tonners, Mr. Frick said they were to have been advertised for bids the 15th of this month, but are now ready and will be posted "any day now." He declared that the bids will be returnable about April 15 and that 60 days are necessary for surveys and estimates.

Mr. Frick refused to comment on alleged structural novelties of the phenomena of these giant liners, the largest ever projected for American yards. He said release of specifications, plans and artist's drawing were prerogatives of the Maritime Commission.

Charged with trespassing in the Indian Barracks at Kowloon City Police Station on Saturday, an Indian, named Channan Singh, was fined \$10 by Mr. E. Himsworth at Kowloon Court yesterday.

## WEATHER REPORT

Hongkong Royal Observatory

10 a.m., Feb. 26.

Barometer, (at sea level), 30.14 ins.

Temperature, 64 F.

Humidity, 87 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/N.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Temperature, maximum yesterday 73 F.

Temperature, minimum last night 62 F.

Rainfall for 24 hrs., ending 10 a.m. today, nil.

Total rainfall since January 1st, 0.33 ins.

Against an average of, 2.85 ins.

Sunset tonight, 6.25 p.m.

Sunrise tomorrow, 6.47 a.m.

4 p.m., Feb. 26.

Barometer (at sea level), 30.07 ins.

Temperature, 66 F.

Humidity, 76 per cent.

Wind Direction, E/S.

Wind Force (Beaufort), 5.

Maximum temperature, 68 F.

Minimum temperature, 61 F.

Rainfall, nil.

## H.K. POLICE RESERVE

Orders by the Hon. Mr. T. H. King, Commissioner of Police.

### CHINESE COMPANY

Training Course—Part III: The following will attend Company Headquarters for instruction in Part III of Training Course (Handling of Arms and Trigger Pressing) on Monday, February 26 at 17.30 hours sharp—

Constables R12 Lal Chak Po, R15 Tsui Kwok Ching, R31 Kwok Wal Lam, R39 Ip Shiu Ming, R95 Ip Wing Min, R101 Lai Li Ying, R164 Mak Wai Fung, R165 Lik George Poon, and R166 Chan Shiu Sun.

Inspection Parade: All ranks of the Chinese Company will parade at Central Police Station on Thursday, February 29 at 17.30 hours sharp for a general inspection of equipment etc., by the Company Commander. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle & Chain, and Truncheon. The Equipment Officer will make a point of being present.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

### INDIAN COMPANY

Commandment: Lance Sergeant R223 Nam Din is commended and granted the commended service bar for (a) zealous and prompt action in arresting a snatch thief on February 2 1940, (b) zeal and alertness on January 29 in securing the arrest of a Chinese male who had escaped from Police custody and jumped into the harbour.

Training Course—Part I: The following members will attend Central Police Station on Wednesday, February 28 1940 at 17.15 hours for Squad Drill under Sub Inspector (R) Mehdi Khan:—

Constables R231 A. Karim, R257 A. Khan, R277 M. Afzal, R217 A. Hamid, R218 B. Abbas, R240 A. Mohamed, R255 Mohamed Ramzan, R266 Kesar Ali, R239 M. A. Hamet, R281 A. R. Feraz, R274 H. Khan, R213 M. Ali, R212 P. Singh, R210 N. Nazir, R219 M. Y. Hussain, R229 Chuliam Nabl, R258 N. Khan, R268 G. Singh, R283 N. Khan, R300 P. Singh, R701 Najab Khan, R702 M. Hayat, R704 M. Currim, R705 S. Khan, R706 M. Yakub, R707 A. Hamid, R708 M. Hosen, R709 Ajab Singh, R710 H. Ahmed, R711 W. Abbas, R712 A. R. Abdulrahman, R713 S. Bachli, R714 Aman Khan, R715 F. Din, R716 P. R. Sharma, and R717 Ajab Khan.

Training Course—Part II: The following members of the Indian Company will attend Indian Company Headquarters for Part II of Training Course on Monday, and Thursday, February 26 and 29 respectively at 17.30 hours sharp under P. S. R. 214 Channan Singh:—

Constables R212 P. Singh, R272 M. N. Nazir, R219 M. Y. Hussain, R229 Chuliam Nabl, R259 A. Khan, R268 G. Singh, R283 N. Khan, R300 P. Singh, R701 Najab Khan, R702 M. Hayat, R704 M. Currim, R705 S. Khan, R706 M. Yakub, R707 A. Hamid, R708 M. Hosen, R709 Ajab Singh, R710 H. Ahmed, R711 W. Abbas, R712 A. R. Abdulrahman, R713 S. Bachli, R714 Aman Khan, R715 F. Din, R716 P. R. Sharma, and R717 Ajab Khan.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

### FLYING SQUAD

Instructional Patrols: The next instructional patrol of the Hongkong Section will take place on Wednesday, February 28 1940 at 17.15 hours sharp at Central Police Station. All members must attend. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle & Chain, and Truncheon to be carried.

The next instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Wednesday, March 6 1940 at 17.15 hours sharp at Terminus Fire Station. All members must attend. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle & Chain, and Truncheon to be carried.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

### EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE

N. C. O's Meeting: An N. C. O's meeting will be held at No. 2 Police Station at 17.15 hours on Tuesday, February 27 1940.

Training Course—Part III: All members of the Emergency Unit

SAY  
**Gordon's**  
...and know  
what you're  
drinking!



NO COLOURING MATTER  
NO INJURIOUS INGREDIENTS

## FIRST STORIES OF THE GREAT SNOWSTORM

The great snowfall of January 27 left behind it nation-wide loss and damage worse than anything in all this century's weather records.

From the North of Scotland to the southern counties there came stories of troubles and disasters which, because of the censorship on weather news, could not then be revealed. Now the strange, chaotic picture can be drawn in some of its details.

Those long-distance trains which ran so late were held up in snow drifts that sometimes buried the snow ploughs sent to clear them away. In some railway cuttings drifts were thirty feet deep. Over most of the country road traffic was virtually at a standstill.

Cows and sheep were buried on mountain sides. Hundreds of villages were cut off from supplies of food and fuel. An aeroplane dropped rations by parachute to isolated troops in Scotland.

RIVERS FROZEN OVER

While householders could not get their regular milk supplies farmers could not get their milk away from the farms. Rivers were frozen over or jammed with ice packs.

Motor-cars and lorries stood abandoned on the roads, half-covered with snow. The railways were the greatest sufferers, and Scotland was the area in which they suffered most. About two thousand travellers were thought to have been marooned in trains somewhere near the Border.

Trains were caught in a blizzard on Beattock Summit, near Moffat, and two of them, carrying two hundred passengers, stuck there all night. The passengers took shelter in villages near, where already food stocks were running short.

A blizzard blocked railways in North Westmorland, where drifts piled up twenty feet high. Snow ploughs were buried at the highest point of the line between Kirkby Stephen and Barnard Castle.

### TRANSPORT DISRUPTED

A special fleet of trains was kept on the move to keep the lines clear of snowdrifts. Trouble was also caused by the freezing of train equipment, such as automatic doors and brakes.

At one time nearly half of the trains needed on the Piccadilly line could not be got out of the depots. On the board's tramway systems special cars sent out to keep the tracks clear of snow could not keep pace with the snow falling. Trolley buses were not so badly affected, because of their steel shoes, which cut ice from the power cables.

Reserve who have not yet qualified in Part III of Training Course will attend No. 2 Station at 17.15 hours on Wednesday, February 28 1940 for instruction.

Company Drill: All ranks will attend No. 2 Police Station at 17.15 hours on Friday, March 1 1940 for Company Drill. Dress—Blue Uniform, Cap with White Cover, Belt with Brace, Whistle & Chain, and Lanyard.

Equipment: Members in possession of clothing and equipment due for return should hand same to Equipment Officer on Wednesday, February 28 1940 at No. 2 Police Station. Police Reserve Office.

Patrol Duty: Patrol duties will be carried out as ordered.

O. EAGER.

D.S.P. (R).

Hongkong, February 26.

## Police Reservist Accused Of Attempted Extortion

### FUNERAL OF MRS. D.B.S. ANTONIO

### Large Attendance At Graveside

The funeral of Mrs. Domitilla (Chai-Chai) Barbara Sequeira Antonio, who passed away at her residence yesterday morning at the age of 74, took place yesterday at the Roman Catholic Cemetery. The Rev. Fr. L. M. Rossi officiated.

Deceased is survived by two sons and three daughters.

Those present at the graveside were Messrs. R. G. Xavier, A. Viciat, H. Pomeroy, J. M. Reis, E. L. Cunha, F. X. Mendes, L. R. Sequeira, A. M. Leo S. Ramos, J. E. Noronha, A. Azevedo, H. E. Rosario, P. M. Xavier, J. M. Vieira, Jnr., H. R. Sequeira, C. L. Rocha, Ed. Rocha, S. A. Marcel, C. P. Vas, J. B. Pomeroy, M. Guterres, H. A. Barros, A. E. Xavier, L. Gomes, L. F. Leon, A. E. Sousa, C. O. Baptista, S. M. Cruz, C. H. R. Remedios, R. A. Campos, L. A. Ozorio, A. Delgado, E. L. Barros, C. M. Franco, Dr. V. Atienza, A. J. C. Rocha, J. Baptista, H. T. Jorge, V. Ribeiro, E. M. Rocha, and many others.

Floral tributes were sent by Raul, Maria Laila, Phyllis and Amelia, Dolly and Sonny, Vera, "Carmen," Jimmy, Lila, Luz, Elfrida and Thelma, N. Stone, and D. Dimmett, A. K. Drummond, Ng Pak Chau, Mrs. J. Cotton, Snr., Sair Pak-lim, A. E. B. de Sousa, Mrs. M. S. Rosario and family, Fong Yuk-shan, Fong Shau-yip, Dedica, alias A. W. Gomes, Yam Bowah, Sam Yick King Kee, M. Talan, Wong Jim-wan, Mrs. Jorge, Mrs. Antioquia, Miss Delgado, Miss Bautista, Mr. and Mrs. Botelho, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Sterling Pyne, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Abbas and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Pires and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Laurel and family, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Sequeira and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Fernandes, A. F. B. Silver-Netto, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Vas and family, Dr. and Mrs. V. N. Atienza, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Lowe.

Staff of Peninsula Hotel Engineering Dept., Staffs of Engineering Department Hongkong Hotel, Staffs of Engineering Department Lane Crawford Ltd., Staffs of Engineering Department Repulse Bay Hotel, Staffs of Engineering Department Lane, Crawford Bakery, Tung Tak Electrical Co., Toong Shing, A. Ming and Co., Shanghai, Yalk Sang, Peninsula Hotel Kitchen Dept., Bakery Dept., Wan Tung, Leming Wal, American Lloyd Ltd., Lam Wah Co.

He So, aged 46, a Police Reservist, appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Court yesterday charged with the attempted extortion of \$1,000, together with two others not yet arrested, from Chan Sik-tim, threatening to accuse Chan of the crime of murder.

The Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for the defence. Mr. G. S. Ford held a watching brief on behalf of Chan Sik-tim, while Detective-Inspector A. L. Hopkins conducted the prosecution. Inspector Hopkins said that on the morning of January 29 there was a knock on the door of Chan's residence at No. 184, Queen's Road West, first floor. A badge, similar to the one used by a police reservist, was shown through the peephole and the defendant and two others gained admittance to the room.

### WENT TO HOTEL

Having entered, the defendant remained outside the first cubicle while his two companions went in and spoke to Chan. After some discussion the three men left the premises with Chan and his concubine. The five later went to room No. 303 in the Empress Hotel.

Chan's mother-in-law, suspecting something queer, detailed her aman and principal tenant to follow the party and later to report to No. 8 Police Station.

Following the report, a Chinese detective was sent to room No. 303 and when he entered the defendant was there with Chan.

The prosecution alleged that during the discussion in the room the defendant and his companions demanded \$1,000 from Chan, and threatened him with the accusation of the murder of someone in his country in "Chung Shan district and was to bring Chan to the police station. Chan agreed to pay the amount and sent his concubine with one of defendant's companions to get the money.

The defendant was alleged to have shown his authority as a member of the Police Reserve by wearing his revolver and ammunition in such a manner as they could easily be seen. The hearing was adjourned until this afternoon.

For stowing away in a President boat from Manila to Hongkong and for entering the Colony without a passport, Rodrigo Villarez, 23, was cautioned by Mr. E. Himsworth when he appeared at Kowloon Court yesterday. Villarez was sent to the House of Detention and will be deported back to Manila.

## H. J. IBSEN

The funeral of Mr. Hans Jergen Ibsen, a Dane, who died at the age of 54, took place yesterday at the Colonial Cemetery when the Rev. Fr. Nielson officiated.

Mr. Ibsen who had been on the China Coast for many years and last served as Second Officer of the Fatsan, had resided at the Sailors' Home and Seamen's Institute for several months prior to his admission to hospital on Friday. Amongst those present was the Danish Consul who also sent a wreath.



# Finance and Commerce

## PRINTING SYMBOL OF LIGHT STILL

NEW YORK.—The importance of printing matter in the spread of education and civilization is as great today as it was half a millennium ago and its limitation must be strenuously opposed, according to Stanley H. Howe, executive secretary of Mayor Fiorello H. La Guardia.

Speaking before members of 38 printing trade organizations in a programme commemorating the anniversary of Benjamin Franklin and the 500th anniversary of printing with movable type at City Hall here recently, Mr. Howe saw Adolf Hitler and Joseph Stalin as attempting to curb education through suppressing printed material.

"In 1440," he said, "out of the city of Mainz, Germany, came the flash of a beacon light to break through the darkness of a benighted Europe—the invention of the art of printing by Johann Gutenberg."

"The Germans of that day invaded the other countries of Europe, not with motorized tanks, but with movable type: spreading light, not suppressing it through the darkness instead of whistling in it. What an irony!; must be to the good German people now to think that the first book printed by Gutenberg was the Bible and that now in Berlin and Moscow they are burning the Bible."

## CHINA ISSUES FIGURES ON WARTIME EMISSIONS

Figures on notes issued by the four Chinese government banks from the end of June, 1937 to the end of 1939 a period of two and a half years are published in the December 1939 issue of the Central Bank of China bulletin.

The four banks, namely, the Central Bank of China, Bank of China, Bank of Communications and Farmers Bank of China had a combined note issue of \$1,407,203,334 in June, 1937.

This was followed by a steady increase. By the end of 1937, after the first six months of the hostilities, the total note issue of the four banks stood at \$1,639,097,783. By the end of June, 1938 it reached \$1,726,997,835.

INCREASES IN 1938  
The figure by the end of 1938 was not available, but June, 1939, the total had increased to \$2,628,929,800. Finally by December 31, 1939, an inspection by the Currency Reserve Board showed that notes of the four banks had made another climb to \$3,081,787,295.

Up to the end of June, 1938, the Bank of China was still leading with \$653,251,720, whereas the Central Bank of China retained its second place with \$489,686,785. The Bank of Communications and the Farmers Bank of China had issues of \$321,858,495 and \$262,219,835, respectively.

A remarkable change took place in the relative positions of the four banks. By the end of June, 1939, the Central Bank of China had increased its note issue to \$1,048,883,145 as against \$703,570,740 issued by the Bank of China. Meanwhile, the Bank of Com-

munications and the Farmers Bank of China had similarly put more notes into circulation, having \$548,456,670 and \$326,019,345, respectively.

As the situation stood at the end of 1939, the Central Bank of China maintained its leadership with \$1,346,979,745 as against \$771,997,105, \$597,378,235 and \$365,432,160 issued by the Bank of China, the Bank of Communications and the Farmers Bank of China, respectively.

FULLY SECURED  
All these notes are fully secured by cash reserves consisting of gold, silver and foreign exchange, and by security reserves. The latter, including short-term commercial bills, warehouse receipts and certificates, corporate shares, representing capital invested in productive enterprises and national government bonds, shall not exceed 40 per cent of the total amount of the legal reserve against notes issued, according to regulations governing national financial stability promulgated by the National Government on September 8, 1938.

The Currency Reserve Board invites representatives of chambers of commerce, in principal provinces, and municipalities to participate in the public inspection of note reserve and to issue official reports on the total amount of notes in circulation as well as the actual conditions of cash security reserves.

## BRITISH SHIPPING LOSSES

The Admiralty on Feb. 9, issued accurate figures to correct the gross exaggerations of the German broadcasts which claimed to have destroyed 409 merchant ships. Allied and neutral, totalling 1,493,431 tons, since the outbreak of war.

Out of a total British mercantile marine of 21,000,000 tons the Germans, by all the weapons at their disposal—warship raiders, submarines, mines, or bombing aircraft—have actually succeeded in destroying up to now just over half a million tons.

If the gains to British mercantile marine in the same period be taken into account—by new construction, enemy captures or purchases abroad—the net loss is only 134,000 tons, less than 1 per cent.

French losses have been 13 ships, totalling 62,000 tons—no serious matter.

Neutral losses, on the other hand, have been serious, though they do not reach the figure claimed by the Germans. The neutral countries have lost 117 ships totalling 339,000 tons, which has fallen chiefly on those which have not availed themselves of the protection afforded by British convoys.—(Daily Telegraph).

## ELECTRIC MOTOR - CARS

### Driving Test By Transport Minister

The Minister of Transport, Captain Wallace, on Feb. 6 drove an electrically propelled motor car round Palace Yard, Westminster, in order to prove for himself how easily such vehicles may be controlled.

The occasion was a demonstration of various types of vehicles all dependent on electric batteries, which are now being increasingly used in order to save petrol. Lord Saltoun, who owns a private electric car, handed it over to Captain Wallace and accompanied him on the test.

The demonstration was arranged by the Electrical Development Association, in conjunction with the Electric Vehicle Association, and among those present were Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, Secretary for Mines, and Lord Lytton.

Sir Felix Pole, on behalf of the Electric Vehicle Association, stated that it was now considered that electric vehicles had reached a stage when they could make a real contribution to road transport.

A van of half a ton capacity would run about two miles to one unit of electricity, costing from

## 328-Page Newspaper Issued

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Presenting a front page with headlines set by hand as they were back in 1840, The Commercial, in celebrating 100 years of publication, issued here a 328-page Centennial Edition.

Weighing five pounds a single copy, this edition is said to be the largest ever printed in the Nation with the exception of one special issue published in Florida during the real estate boom.

Eleven carloads of paper—approximately 600,000 pounds—were consumed in the Centennial Edition. It took 10,300 pounds, or 1,300 gallons, of ink, to print the entire issue.

Regular subscribers received the Centennial Edition "without additional charge, while non-subscribers were asked 50 cents a copy.

President Roosevelt sent a message congratulating The Commercial Appeal on its completion of 100 years of publication.—(C. S. Monitor).

## HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

Volume Of Business Transacted on Monday, Feb. 26, 1940.

China Lights (O)	1,700	\$8.90
China Providents	2,000	5.00
H.K. Docks	200	23.75
H.K. Docks	300	23.80
H.K. Docks	400	23.90
H.K. Docks	221	24.00
H.K. Electric	71	68.50
H.K. Electric	100	69.25
H.K. Electric	50	69.50
H.K. Electric	283	69.00
H.K. Hotels	500	5.90
H.K. Hotels	500	5.95
H.K. Hotels	2,500	6.00
Cements	250	20.00
H.K. Lands	25	39.00
H.K. Lands	300	39.50
H.K. Lands	800	40.00
H.K. Telephones (O)	400	31.80
H.K. Telephones (N)	1,100	32.00
H.K. Telephones (N)	100	11.50
H.K. Telephones (N)	600	11.75
H.K. Tramways	200	18.50
Ropes	500	6.00
Realities	1,500	5.00
Unions	70	485.00
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Paracale Gumaus	5,000	0.46

id. to id. in most parts of the country. It was cheaper than a horse, and petrol would have to be reduced to 5d. a gallon to compare with it.

There were about 100,000 commercial vehicles in this country travelling from 30 to 40 miles a day. If they were replaced by electric vehicles, about 70,000,000 gallons of petrol a year would be saved.

## SUIYUAN - THE STORY OF A CITY ENSLAVED

This story is told by Chinese agents in Japanese-occupied Suiyuan City. Conditions in other "occupied" Suiyuan cities, according to the agents, are very similar.

Suiyuan City, capital of Suiyuan Province, has been renamed the Municipality of Houbo by the Japanese. Outwardly the place still retains its pre-war prosperity, but terror and tension prevail throughout the city.

Business in Suiyuan City appears good. But prosperity is limited to Japanese theatres, restaurants, and public houses. Bannots of the "Mongolian Bank" are in circulation. As these notes cannot be cashed and are not recognized by the Chinese authorities, nobody wants to save them, so every cent earned is spent. The circulation of Chinese legal tender is strictly forbidden. Anyone who has more than \$5 of Chinese legal tender in his possession is shot.

MONOPOLIES  
Monopoly rights in wool, fur, and coal have been granted to Japanese concerns. No private dealing is allowed. The result of these monopolies is the low prices paid for wool and fur, and the long pitiful "coal lines" in front of the only four coal dealers in the city each morning. A permit must be first secured from the police office for the buying of coal, and the amount allowed is limited to one catty a man each day. Often the weaker ones, although having a permit, fail to keep their places in the line and get no fuel after waiting in the bitter cold for the whole day.

Suiyuan is a coal producing country. The coal mines near Suiyuan city and Paotow are now Japanese-controlled. The best coal has been shipped to Japan to build a coal reserve there.

NO NEW FACTORIES  
Except the old Suiyuan Woolen Textile Factory, there is no new addition to Suiyuan factories. The textile mill is under Japanese control, buying wool at arbitrarily low prices, but selling the finished products at high prices.

Opium dens, brothels, and gambling houses, mostly run by Koreans and Japanese, are found

Since the beginning of the war the weekly additions to the British Merchant Navy—by new construction, captures of enemy ships, and purchases abroad—have averaged 20,000 tons. This figure will rise as the recent programme of new construction begins to bear fruit.

As against this gain, eight British merchant ships, totalling 25,069 tons, were reported lost by enemy action during the week ending February 3. In the same period neutral losses from the same cause were six ships totalling 17,546 tons.

The British ships lost were:—  
Jan. 28.—Eston (1,487).  
Jan. 29.—Stanburn (2,881).  
January 30.—Vaclite (Tanker, 5,038), Bancroft (4,450), Giralda (2,178), Highway (1,178).  
Feb. 2.—Portelet (1,064).  
Feb. 3.—Armanistan (6,805).  
The neutral ships lost were:—  
Jan. 27.—Danish.—Fredensborg (2,064).  
Jan. 28.—Greek.—Eleni Stathatov (5,825).  
January 30.—Greek.—Keramat (5,085).  
Feb. 1.—Danish.—Vidar (1,353).  
Norwegian.—Fram (2,780).  
Feb. 3.—Norwegian.—Tempo (629).—(Times).

## BRITISH TRADE WITH NORWAY

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 25 (Reuter)

—It is learned here that an Agreement between Great Britain and Norway was initiated on Feb. 22 and will be signed in London this week.

Details of the agreement have not yet been made public, but it is understood that one primary aim is to facilitate Norway's shipping communications with other countries.

It is probable that both Denmark and Sweden will shortly conclude a similar agreement.

## HONGKONG SHARE QUOTATIONS

STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION

MONDAY 26 FEB.

Buyers	Sellers	Bank	MONDAY 26 FEB.	Buyers	Sellers	Bank	MONDAY 26 FEB.
\$1455	C.D.	H.K. Bank	\$1455	\$1455	C.D.	H.K. Bank	\$1455
...	...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...	...	...	Do. (Col. Reg.)	...
...	...	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...	...	...	Do. (Lon. Reg.)	...
...	...	Chartered Bank	...	...	...	Chartered Bank	...
...	...	Mercantile Bk.	...	...	...	Mercantile Bk.	...
...	...	Mercantile Bk.	...	...	...	Mercantile Bk.	...
...	...	Bank of East Asia	...	...	...	Bank of East Asia	...
...	...	N. C. & S. Bank	...	...	...	N. C. & S. Bank	...
...	...	Insurance	...	...	...	Insurance	...
...	...	Canton Insurance	...	...	...	Canton Insurance	...
...	...	Union Insurance	...	...	...	Union Insurance	...
...	...	Underwriters	...	...	...	Underwriters	...
...	...	H.K. Fire	...	...	...	H.K. Fire	...
...	...	Shipping	...	...	...	Shipping	...
...	...	Douglas	...	...	...	Douglas	...
...	...	Bluebank	...	...	...	Bluebank	...
...	...	Indo-China (Prof.)	...	...	...	Indo-China (Prof.)	...
...	...	Indo-China (Def.)	...	...	...	Indo-China (Def.)	...
...	...	Shells	...	...	...	Shells	...
...	...	Waterboats	...	...	...	Waterboats	...
...	...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...	...	...	Docks, Wharves, Godowns, etc.	...
...	...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...	...	...	H.K. & K. Wharves	...
...	...	Providents (new)	...	...	...	Providents (new)	...
...	...	H.K. & W. Docks	...	...	...	H.K. & W. Docks	...
...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...
...	...	Shanghai Docks & New Engineering E.	...	...	...	Shanghai Docks & New Engineering E.	...
...	...	Mining	...	...	...	Mining	...
...	...	Kailash	...	...	...	Kailash	...
...	...	Raube	...	...	...	Raube	...
...	...	Venerable Gold Vids	...	...	...	Venerable Gold Vids	...
...	...	Hong Kong Mines	...	...	...	Hong Kong Mines	...
...	...	Lands, Hotels and Buildings	...	...	...	Lands, Hotels and Buildings	...
...	...	H.K. Hotels	...	...	...	H.K. Hotels	...
...	...	H.K. Lands	...	...	...	H.K. Lands	...
...	...	Do. 4% Debentures	...	...	...	Do. 4% Debentures	...
...	...	Shanghai Lands	...	...	...	Shanghai Lands	...
...	...	H.K. Realities	...	...	...	H.K. Realities	...
...	...	Hampshire	...	...	...	Hampshire	...
...	...	Chinese Estates	...	...	...	Chinese Estates	...
...	...	Cotton Mills	...	...	...	Cotton Mills	...
...	...	Swo (B.)	...	...	...	Swo (B.)	...
...	...	Shai Cottons (B.)	...	...	...	Shai Cottons (B.)	...
...	...	Zooing Sings (B.)	...	...	...	Zooing Sings (B.)	...
...	...	Wing On Textiles (B.)	...	...	...	Wing On Textiles (B.)	...
...	...	Public Utilities	...	...	...	Public Utilities	...
...	...	Tramways	...	...	...	Tramways	...
...	...	Peak Tram (old)	...	...	...	Peak Tram (old)	...
...	...	Peak Tram (new)	...	...	...	Peak Tram (new)	...
...	...	Star Ferries	...	...	...	Star Ferries	...
...	...	Ymat Ferries	...	...	...	Ymat Ferries	...
...	...	Do. (new)	...	...	...	Do. (new)	...
...	...	China Lights (O)	...	...	...	China Lights (O)	...
...	...	China Lights (New)	...	...	...	China Lights (New)	...
...	...	China Lights Rte.	...	...	...	China Lights Rte.	...
...	...	H.K. Electric	...	...	...	H.K. Electric	...
...	...	Macao Electric	...	...	...	Macao Electric	...
...	...	Sandakan Lights	...	...	...	Sandakan Lights	...
...	...	Telephones (old)	...	...	...	Telephones (old)	...
...	...	Telephones (new)	...	...	...	Telephones (new)	...
...	...	Tractions	...	...	...	Tractions	...
...	...	Traction (Prof.)	...	...	...	Traction (Prof.)	...
...	...	Industrials	...	...	...	Industrials	...
...	...	Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	...	...	...	Cald. Macg. (Ord.)	...
...	...	Cald. Macg. (Prof.)	...	...	...	Cald. Macg. (Prof.)	...
...	...	Canton Loan	...	...	...	Canton Loan	...
...	...	Cements	...	...	...	Cements	...
...	...	Ropes	...	...	...	Ropes	...
...	...	Miscellaneous	...	...	...	Miscellaneous	...
...	...	Dairy Farm (Old)	...	...	...	Dairy Farm (Old)	...
...	...	Dairy Farm (New)	...	...	...	Dairy Farm (New)	...
...	...	Ch. 2% Debentures	...	...	...	Ch. 2% Debentures	...
...	...	Constructions (old)	...	...	...	Constructions (old)	...
...	...	Constructions (new)	...	...	...	Constructions (new)	...
...	...	Lago Crawford	...	...	...	Lago Crawford	...
...	...	Nanyang Tobacco	...	...	...	Nanyang Tobacco	...
...	...	Sinocare	...	...	...	Sinocare	...
...	...	Watsons	...	...	...	Watsons	...
...	...	Ch. G. 5% 1926/30	...	...	...	Ch. G. 5% 1926/30	...
...	...	H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	...	...	...	H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	...
...	...	H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	...	...	...	H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	...
...	...	H.K. Wing On	...	...	...	H.K. Wing On	...
...	...	Shai Wing On	...	...	...	Shai Wing On	...
...	...	Vibro Piling	...	...	...	Vibro Piling	...
...	...	Marmans Inv. (H.K.)	...	...	...	Marmans Inv. (H.K.)	...
...	...	Wm. Forde	...	...	...	Wm. Forde	...
...	...	Sales to Shanghai	...	...	...	Sales to Shanghai	...

## SWEDISH EXCHANGE CONTROL

STOCKHOLM, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—The Riksdag yesterday approved of the Swedish Government's measures to safeguard the country's exchange to ensure the importation of vital commodities and to provide for purchases abroad for the nation's defence.

Only authorised dealers may buy and sell foreign exchange and then only for special purposes. The measures are enforceable immediately.

## H.K. STOCK EXCHANGE

Business on a most extensive scale has been reported today and is easily the record for a long period. At the close enquiries are still well in evidence, though in some instances a slight easing off is noticeable. This latter feature, however, can probably be attributed to some profit taking, having regard to the fact that generally there has been a substantial rise in prices during the past few days.

BUYERS

H.K. Bank, \$1455.	
Canton Ins., \$225.	
Union Ins., \$480.	
Fires Ins., \$180.	
Wharves, \$102.	
Docks, \$23.60.	
Providents, \$4.95.	
Hotels, \$54.	
Lands, \$394.	
Humphreys, \$74.	
Realities, \$44.	
Tramways, \$18.30.	
Yaumati Ferries, \$274.	
China Lights (O), \$34.	
China Lights (N), \$5.30.	
H.K. Electric, \$88.	
Macao Electric, \$214.	
Sandakan Lights, \$114.	
Telephones (N), \$11.60.	
Cements, \$18.80.	
Dairy Farms (O), \$224.	
Dairy Farms (N), \$224.	
Watsons, \$9.80.	

SELLERS

H.K. Bank, \$1480.	
Hotels, \$5.95.	
Tramways, \$184.	
China Lights (O), \$9.	
H.K. Electric, \$70.	
Telephones (O), \$32.10.	
SALES	
Union Ins., \$485.	
Docks, \$234/24.	
Providents, \$5.	
Hotels, \$5.80/6/5.90.	
Lands, \$39/394/40.	
Realities, \$5.	
Tramways, \$18.30/50/40.	
Star Ferries, \$68.	
Yaumati Ferries, \$28.	
China Lights (O), \$3.90.	
H.K. Electric, \$884/89.	
Macao Electric, \$214.	
Telephones (O), \$314/32/32.80.	
Telephones (N), \$114/114.	
Cements, \$184/20/20.20.	
Dairy Farms (O), \$234/234.	
Watsons, \$9.80.	
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan, 1004.	

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## FOREIGN MARKETS &amp; QUOTATIONS

## PAYNE &amp; CO.

COMMODITY BROKERS  
STOCK EXCHANGE BUILDING  
HONGKONG

## COMMODITY MARKET REVIEW

(FROM PAYNE &amp; CO.)

NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 24, 1940.				
	Previous	February, 22		
	Closing	Opening	Closing	Change
SINGAPORE RUBBER				
S P O T	38-5/8	38-1/2	38-1/4	Off 3/8
APRIL-JUNE	36-7/8	36-5/8	36-5/8	Off 1/4
JULY-SEPT.	35-1/2	35-3/8	35-1/4	Off 1/4

LONDON RUBBER				
	Previous close	Today's close		Change
	Buyers			
S P O T	12-3/4			
A P R I L	12-5/16	Market		
M A Y	11-7/8			
JULY-SEPT.	11-3/8	closed		
OCT.-DEC.	11-1/16			

NEW YORK COTTON: Large cotton goods' sales are reported. Bombay interests are showing the main interest in new crops.

NEW YORK RUBBER: The prevailing state of the world supply-demand situation deters buying. It is estimated that February consumption of rubber totalled around 52,000 tons. Eastern offerings were light.

CHICAGO WHEAT: The official forecast of fair weather conditions in the South-West over the week-end induced profit-taking and increasing hedge selling against loan withdrawals. The trade is cautious and follows European news closely.

NEW YORK STOCKS: Previous close, 147.35; Today's close, 146.72; Change, off .63.

## NEW YORK COMMODITY MARKET

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

			Prev.	Today's	
	High	Low	Close	Close	Change
New York Cotton, Mar.	11.12	11.09	11.07	11.11	.04 up
New York Rubber, Mar.	18.55	18.21	18.81	18.21b	.40 off
Chicago Wheat, May	105 1/2	104 1/2	105 1/2	104 1/2	1 1/2 off
Chicago Corn, May	57 1/2	56 1/2	57 1/2	56 1/2	1 1/2 off
New York Hides, Mar.	13.95	13.80	13.98	13.80	.18 off
<b>NEW YORK COTTON</b>					
	Close	Opening	Closing		Change
March	11.07/08	11.10/10	11.11/12	.04 up	
May	10.82/83	10.85/85	10.86/86	.04 up	
July	10.42/42	10.45/45	10.49/50	.07 up	
July (New contract)	10.55/56	10.57b/55a	10.63/63	.08 up	
October ( " )	9.75/76	9.81/83	9.86/86	.11 up	
December ( " )	9.65/65	9.73/73	9.76/76	.11 up	
January ( " )	9.61/61	9.69/70	9.73/73	.12 up	
Spot	11.22 N		11.23 N	.06 up	
		Edwards	78,100 bales.		

Total sales Friday's 78,100 bales.  
First Notice Day for March Cotton—27/2—Last Notice Day—15/3

NEW YORK RUBBER  
March 18.61/81 18.55/56 18.21b/24a 40 off  
May 18.25/26 17.95b/18.05a 17.78b/80a 25 off  
July 18.03/03 17.88/86 17.55/55 15 off  
September 17.80b/85a 17.50b/70a 15 off  
December 17.55b/70a 17.50b 15 off

Total Sales—2,190 tons  
First Notice Day for March Rubber—28/2—Last Trading Day—27/3

CHICAGO WHEAT  
May 106/105 105 1/2/105 104 1/2/104 1 1/2 off  
July 104 1/2/104 103 1/2/103 1 1/2 off  
September 104/104 102/102 2 off

Friday's sales—35,527,000 bushels

CHICAGO CORN  
May 57 1/2/57 57 1/2/57 57 1/2/57 1 off  
July 57 1/2/57 57 1/2/57 57 1/2/57 1 off  
September 57 1/2/57 57 1/2/57 57 1/2/57 1 off

WINNIPEG WHEAT  
May 90 B 90 1/2/89 89 1/2/89 1 off  
July 91 1/2/91 91 1/2/91 91 1/2/91 1 off  
October 92 1/2/92 92 1/2/92 92 1/2/92 1 off

NEW YORK HIDES  
March 13.98/14.02 13.95/93 13.80/82 18 off  
June 14.30/31 14.25/16 14.12/13 18 off  
September 14.60/64 14.50/52 14.40b/44a 20 off

First notice day for March hides—26/2/40 last trading day—24/3/40.  
New York, Official 34-3/4 unquoted.  
NY-London Cross Rate 3.96-1/4

## LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

FEB. 25, 1940  
The following quotations are the middle prices at the close of the market in London. All quotations are subject to confirmation and no responsibility is assumed for errors in transmission.

	£	(Brit. Stpd. Supl. Loan)
War Loan, 3 1/2% (Red after 1952)	59-1/16	
Canton-K'loon Rly. 5%	16	
Chinese 4 1/2% Gold Loan 1898 (Brit. Issue)	60	
Chinese 5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	50	
Chin. 4 1/2% Anglo-French Loan, 1908	50	
Chinese 5% Crisp Loan, 1912	30	
Chinese 5% Reorg. Loan, 1913 (Ldn. Is.)	40	
Chinese 8% Ster. Notes, 1925 (Vickers)	12	
Chin. Imperial Rly. 5% Loan	55	
Honan Rly. 5% "	18	
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911	19	
Hukuang Rly. 5%, 1911 (German Issue)	17	
Lung T'ing & U. Hai Rly. 5% 1913	14	
S'hai-N'King Rly. 5%	20	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (Brit. Stpd.)	16	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5% (German Stpd.)	16	
Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 5%	16	

## MONEY AND EXCHANGE

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

FEBRUARY 26, 1940

On London:	
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 13/16	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/2 13/16	
Credits 4 months sight 1 3/16	
On Shanghai:	
On demand	345
On Singapore:	
On demand	52 1/2
On Japan:	
On demand	103 1/4
On India:	
Telegraphic Transfer, 1/2 13/16	
and demand	52 1/2
On New York:	
Bank Bills, on demand 24 3/8	
Credits, 60 days sight 25	
On Batavia:	
On demand	45 1/4
On Paris:	
Bank Bills, on demand 1085	
Credits 4 months sight 1140	
On Saigon:	
On demand	108 1/4
On Manila:	
On demand	48 3/4
On Bangkok:	
On demand	150 1/4
On Sterling Notes:	
Bank Buying Rate 1/2 11/16	
Bar Silver per oz.	30 3/16

## Market Report

FROM ROZA BROS.

Silver prices were unchanged over the week-end, the quotations remaining at 20.3/16 for both deliveries. Silver advances were not received. American Silver was quoted at 34.3/4 for Spot.

The London-New York cross-rate was quoted at 402.1/2. New York-London was quoted at 395.3/8.

There were sellers at 1/2 7/8 February-May, buyers at 1/2 29/32 Cash and 1/2 7/8 June.

A small transaction was reported at 24.1/2 Cash. There were sellers at 24.1/2 Cash and 24.7/16 March, buyers at 24.9/16 Cash and 24.1/2 March.

Shanghai Dollars  
Dollars 356.1/2.

Shanghai Market  
Sterling 4.5/32 and U.S. Dollars 6.27/32 sellers for Spot.

IN THE AFTERNOON  
The market was dull in the afternoon.

Sterling  
The market closed with sellers at 1/2 7/8 February-May, buyers at 1/2 29/32 Cash and 1/2 7/8 June.

U.S. Dollars  
Small sellers at 24.1/2 Cash and 24.7/16 March, buyers at 24.9/16 Cash and 24.1/2 March.

Shanghai Dollars  
Dollars 357.1/2 sellers.

Shanghai Market  
Sterling 4.9/64 and U.S. Dollars 6.13/16 sellers for Spot.

Shanghai Exchange  
Shanghai, Feb. 26 (Reuters).

Official T.T. Rates  
London 0/4  
New York 6-9/16  
Japan 27-7/8  
India 22-1/8  
Paris 2.94  
Hongkong 26-3/4

Sellers  
Spot 0/4-5/32 0/4-9/84  
Feb. 0/4-5/32 0/4-9/84  
Mar. 0/4-7/84 0/4-3/32

U.S. Dollars  
Spot \$6-27/32 \$6-13/16  
Feb. 6-27/32 6-13/16  
Mar. 6-3/4 8-23/32

Market—Inclined to be easy.

Merchandise Rates  
Sterling, 0/4-1/8.

U.S. Dollars, \$6-13/16.

Silver Duty Rate  
The Central Bank of China's rate on London at 10 a.m. today was 1/2-1/2d.

The Equalisation rate was 6 per cent.

Marks & Sp'cer "A" ord. 53/44  
Rolls Royce 87/14  
Leyland Motors 72/6  
Tate & Lyle 55  
Turner & Newall 66/6  
United Steel 24/11  
Smethwick Drop Forg. 15  
Armstrong Stevens, ord. 6  
Pressed Steel, com. 16/10 1/2  
Vickers, ord. 21/3  
Woolworths 65/3  
Anglo-Dutch 26/3  
Rub. Plant. Invest. Trust 34/3  
Burma Corporation 9/3  
Commonwealth Mining 14/9  
Marsman Investments 34/4  
Randfontein Estates 13/3  
Western Holdings 186/3  
Sub-Nigel 6d.  
Tanami Gold Mining 55/7 1/2  
Anglo-Iranian 70  
Burnham 78/14  
Shell Trans. & Trad. (bearer) 78/14  
—Nominal

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

## QUOTATION

(REUTER'S SERVICE)

FEB. 25, 1940		FEB. 24, 1940	
STOCKS	Last Sale Feb. 24	STOCKS	Last Sale Feb. 24
Adams Express	7 1/2	Kennecott, Copper	37 1/2
Allegheny Steel Co.	22 1/2	Lakey Foundry & Mac.	37 1/2
Allied Stores	81	Libbey-Owens-Ford Glass	50
Allis Chalmers	36 1/2	Lockheed Aircraft	30 1/2
Aluminum Ltd.	96	Loew's Inc.	35 1/2
Amer. Can.	115 1/2	Mack Truck Inc.	24 1/2
American Cyanamid B.	37	Martin, Glen L.	40 1/2
Amer. & Foreign Power	1 1/2	McKesson & Robbins, pfd.	24 1/2
Amer. Gas & Elec.	25 1/2	Montgomery Ward	108 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	19	National Aviation	12 1/2
Amer. Metals Co.	23 1/2	Nat. Dairy Products	16 1/2
Amer. Radiator	9 1/2	Nat. Distillers	24 1/2
Amer. Rolling Mill	15	National Gypsum	10 1/2
Amer. S'ing and Ring Co.	49 1/2	National Lead	21
Amer. Sugar Refining	22 1/2	Nat. Power & Light	7 1/2
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	17 1/2	National Steel Corp.	68
Amer. Tobacco "B"	80	National Supply Corp.	9
Amer. Waterworks	9 1/2	New York Central	16 1/2
Anacosta Copper	28 1/2	Niagara Hudson Power	5 1/2
Atchafalca, T. & S. Fe.	22 1/2	N. American Aviation	24 1/2
Auburn Motors	1 1/2	North American Co.	21 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	5	Northern Pacific	8
Barber Asphalt Co.	14 1/2	Owens-Illinois Glass Co.	60
Barnsdall Oil	11 1/2	Pacific Gas & Elec.	34 1/2
Bendix Aviation	32 1/2	Pacific Lighting	47 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	75 1/2	Packard Motors	38
Bliss & Co.	13 1/2	Paramount Pictures	24 1/2
Boeing Airplane Co.	23 1/2	Pennsylvania R.R.	38 1/2
Borg-Warner	22 1/2	Phelps-Dodge	38 1/2
Bridgeport Brass Corp.	11 1/2	Phillips Petroleum	7 1/2
Briggs Mfg.	20 1/2	Pittsburgh Coke & Iron	41 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	19 1/2	Public Service of N.J.	26 1/2
Brooklyn-Manhattan T.R.	80 1/2	Pullman Inc.	26 1/2
Canadian Pacific Rwy.	4 1/2	Pure Oil	8 1/2
Case, J.I.	23 1/2	Radio Corp. of Am.	5 1/2
Celanese	39 1/2	Reading Company, Com.	15 1/2
Chesapeake & Ohio	33 1/2	Reading Company, 1st pfd.	25 1/2
Chrysler Corp.	38 1/2	Remington Arms Co., Inc.	4 1/2
Climax-Molybdenum Co.	38 1/2	Republic Aviation Corp.	20 1/2
Colts Patent Fire-Arms	79 1/2	Republic Steel	12 1/2
Columbia Gas & Elec.	6 1/2	Revere Cop. & Brass Inc.	47 1/2
Columbia 6% "A" pf.	91	Reynold Tobac. "B"	12 1/2
Commercial Credit Co.	48 1/2	Richfield Oil	7 1/2
Com. & Southern (Ord.)	1 1/2	Safeway Stores	48 1/2
Consolidated Edison	31 1/2	Schenley Distillers	12 1/2
Consolidated Oil	7 1/2	Sears Roebuck	82 1/2
Continental Can	46 1/2	Shell Union Oil	11 1/2
Continental Oil	24	Socomey-Vacuum Oil	12 1/2
Copperweld Steel	15 1/2	Southern Pacific	28 1/2
Corn Products	64 1/2	Southern Rly 45 pfd.	44 1/2
Curtis Wright (C.)	10 1/2	Sperry	44 1/2
Curtis Wright "A"	29	Spicer Manufacturing Co.	33 1/2
Deere & Co.	21	Standard Brands	6 1/2
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	19 1/2	Stand Gas & Elec.	12 1/2
Douglas Aircraft	82 1/2	Standard Oil of California	24
Du Pont de Nemours	18 1/2	Standard Oil of N.J.	42 1/2
Eagle Picher Lead	10 1/2	Stone & Webster	10
Eaton Mfg. Co.	30 1/2	Studebaker Com.	11 1/2
Elec. Autolite	38 1/2	Swift International	31 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share	57 1/2	Technicolor	15 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 45 pf.	57 1/2	Texas Corp.	44 1/2
Elec. Bond & Share 48 pf.	57 1/2	Texas Gulf Sulphur	34 1/2
Elec. Power & Light 45 pf.	38 1/2	Timken-Axle	22 1/2
Fisk Rubber	15 1/2	Trans-America Co.	5 1/2
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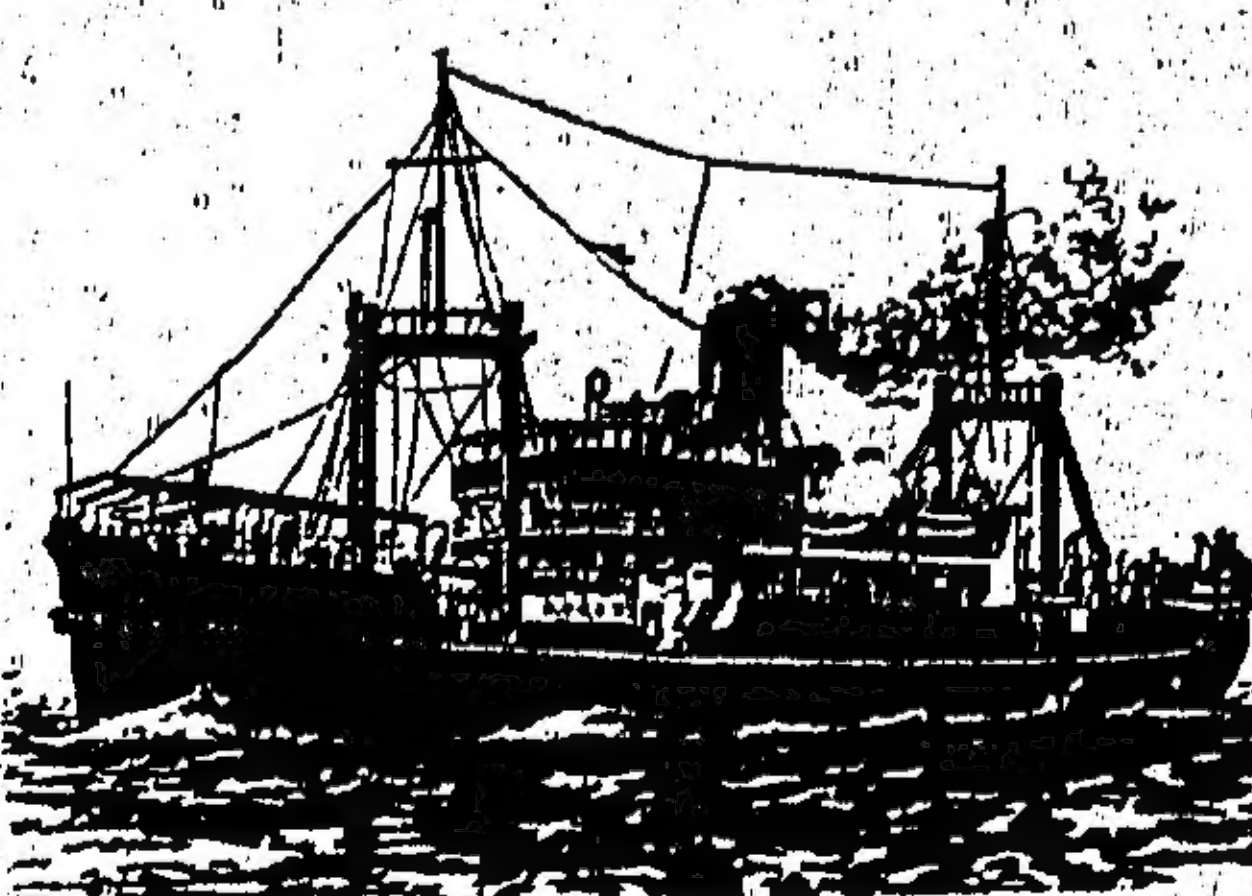
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Days of Week	Date of Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
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Wed.	28	12 50	6.5
Thurs.	29	12 51	6.1
Fri.	1	01 50	5.0
Sat.	2	13 40	6.0
Sun.	3	14 42	6.0
Mon.	4	04 53	4.0
		15 57	6.0
		08 45	4.0
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		09 00	4.3
		18 25	6.2

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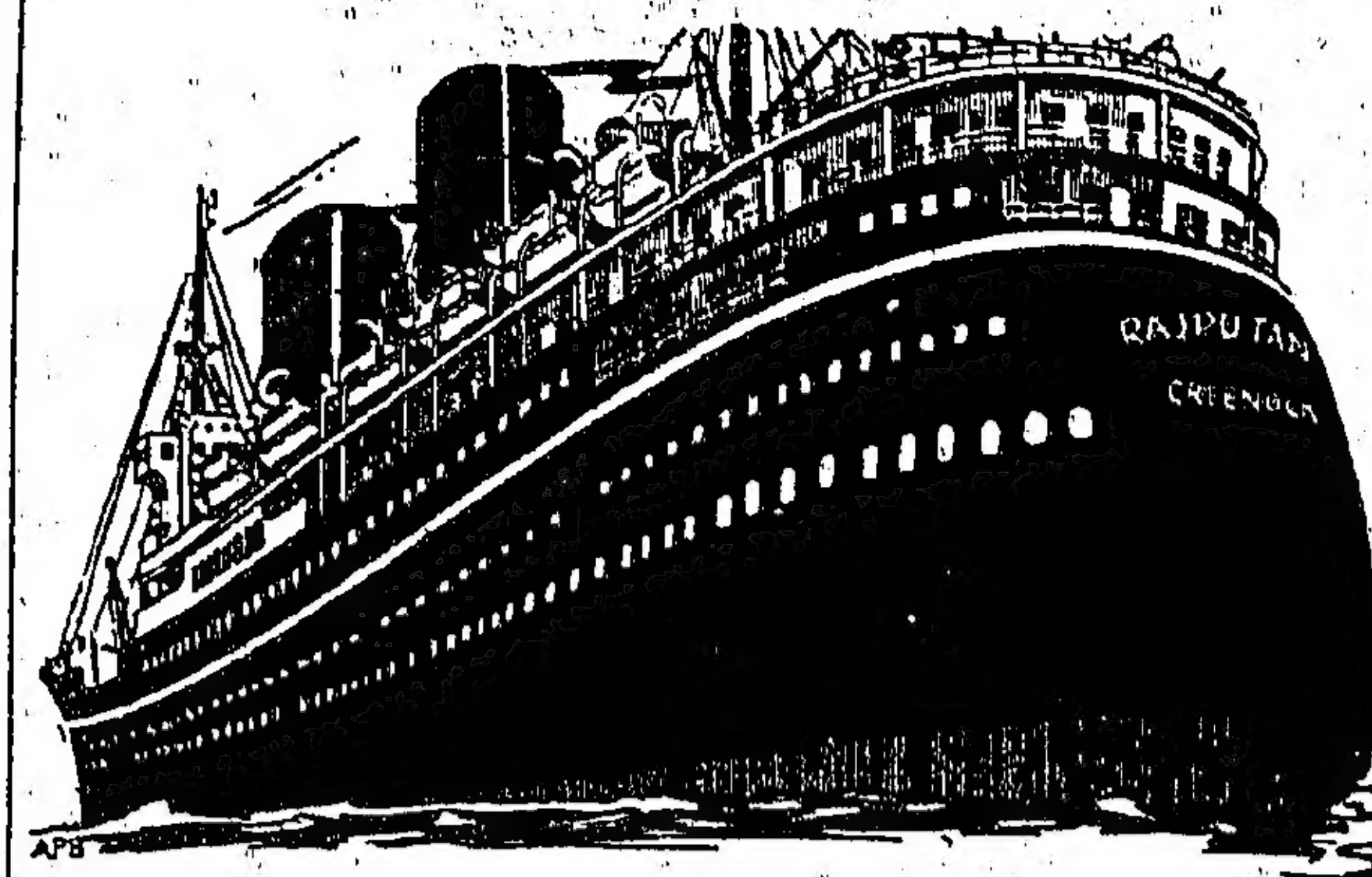
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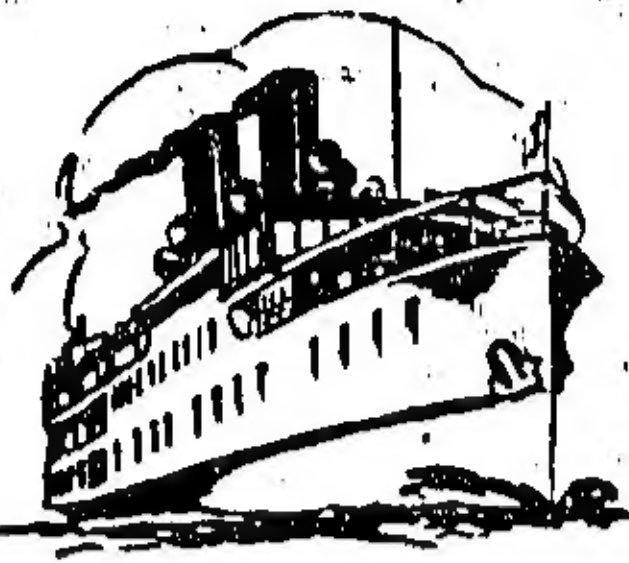
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land.

**CHINA WAR  
NEWS**

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launched repeated offensives on  
the Chinese positions in the  
Chungtao Mountain range in  
South Shansi, in the past week.

The severest fighting took place  
south-east of Hsiangshen last Wed-  
nesday when 4,000 Japanese en-  
countered staunch Chinese resis-  
tance.

The Chinese have recaptured  
strategic suburban points at  
Kianghsien, northeast of Hsiang-  
shen, and are now subjecting the  
town to an enveloping attack.

On the Fenglingtu sector in  
South-West Shansi, the Chinese  
are exerting increasing pressure  
on the Japanese.

Fighting in South-East Shansi is  
centred around Hukuan, south-  
east of Changchih.

**TSIAOTSO PENETRATED**  
CHENGCHOW, Feb. 26 (Central)—  
Chinese units penetrated into  
Tsiaotso, important mining town  
on the Taokow-Chinghsia east of  
Po Ai in north Honan, last Wed-  
nesday.

Covering the foot soldiers, Chi-  
nese artillery heavily pounded the  
town, scoring direct hits on the  
Japanese ammunition dumps, and  
setting them afire.

Severe combats were still raging  
inside the town the following  
morning.

**CHINESE REACH ANLU**  
FANCHENG, HUPEH, Feb. 26  
(Central)—In their sweeping ad-  
vance Chinese forces have reach-  
ed the outskirts of Anlu, 65 miles  
north-west of Hankow, in North  
Hupei, and started a siege of  
the town.

Over 300 casualties were in-  
flicted on the enemy in an engage-  
ment in the suburbs last Friday.  
Spirited fighting is also pro-  
ceeding in the vicinity of Kiang-  
shan, 35 miles east of Chungshien  
in central Hupei.

**CHINESE ATTACK**  
SOMEWHERE ON THE EAST  
CHEKIANG FRONT, Feb. 26 (Cen-  
tral)—Chinese units are attack-  
ing the Linping station, on the  
Shanghai-Hangchow Railway,  
15 miles north-east of Hangchow.  
They commenced their offensive  
last Friday. Taken completely by  
surprise, the Japanese suffered  
heavily. Communication on the  
railway has been disrupted in the  
last two days.

**JAPANESE DEFEATED**  
TUNKI, ANHWEI, Feb. 26 (Cen-  
tral)—The Japanese pushing  
southward from Kintan, 17 miles  
south of Tanyang, to Liyang, near  
the South-Kiangsu border, were  
defeated by the Chinese on Satur-  
day.

The enemy suffered serious  
losses, and straggled units have  
been cornered north of Liyang.  
**FANCHANG RECAPTURED**

TUNKI, ANHWEI, Feb. 26 (Cen-  
tral)—Fanchang, on the south  
bank of the Yangtze River, above  
Wuhu, Anhwei, which was occupied  
by the Japanese after a vigorous  
attack last Friday, has been re-  
captured by the Chinese in a  
counter attack. Remnant Jap-  
anese around the town have been  
cleared.

Lanki, in East Anhwei, near  
the South-Kiangsu border, has  
also been re-occupied by the Chi-  
nese. The town was lost to the  
Japanese last Thursday.

On the following day, the Chi-  
nese launched a counter-offensive  
and succeeded in re-entering it.  
The Japanese retreated in a  
northerly direction, repeatedly  
harassed by Chinese mobile units  
lying in ambush on the way.

**STRATEGIC CAPTURE**  
CHUNGKING, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—  
Chinese forces have captured  
Patzepulung, strategic point on the  
highway east of Wuyuan, accord-

**Any Endeavour To Initiate  
Negotiations For Permanent  
Peace Will Be Welcomed**

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—The Conference of Foreign  
Minister of Denmark, Norway and Sweden opened yester-  
day afternoon. After luncheon together, the Ministers were re-  
ceived by King Christian, after which a full conference of the  
Ministers and their advisers began in Christianborg Palace.

Dr. P. R. Munch, the Danish Foreign Minister, before going  
into the conference, said that no hard and fast agenda had been  
prepared, but only a very general one. Both M. Gunther, of  
Sweden, and M. Koht, of Norway, planned to return to their  
capitals last night.

A communique issued at the  
close of the Three-Power Confer-  
ence states that the position in  
connection with the Finnish-  
Russian conflict was discussed.

**PROFOUND DESIRE**

The Ministers emphasised the  
most serious and profound desire  
of all northern peoples that the  
conflict may, at an early date, be  
brought to a peaceful solution that  
preserves the full independence of  
Finland. They ascertained their  
unanimity in respect of neutrality.

They reject all assertions that it  
is exercised under pressure by one  
side or the other and they intend  
to continue this policy impartially  
and independently in their rela-  
tions to all states.

**NEUTRALITY AGREEMENT**

The communique says that the  
Ministers agreed to maintain the  
inviolability of neutral territory  
and also agreed to raise serious

objections and to endeavour to  
avert any violation of the principles  
of international law in the conduct  
of naval warfare, which inflicts  
considerable losses of human life  
and economic values on neutrals  
when they maintain their shipping  
in order to keep up their legitimate  
necessary trade, they agreed to  
support each other in that connec-  
tion.

**GREATER DISASTERS**

The Ministers were united in the  
conviction that unless the war ends  
before violent long-drawn fighting  
has brought greater disasters than  
the present, it will create such  
profound embitterment that the  
opening of a road to an enduring  
solution will be rendered still more  
difficult.

They will, therefore, gladly wel-  
come any endeavour to initiate  
negotiations between the belliger-  
ents with a view to a just and per-  
manent peace.

**THRILLING AIR BATTLE  
OVER N.W. GERMANY**

**R.A.F. Bomber Beats Off  
Attack By Nazi Fighters**

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—The Royal Air Force carried  
out another extensive flight over Heligoland Bight, in  
North-west Germany on Saturday. This time they met with  
some opposition, but six separate attacks were beaten off  
and all the British planes got home safely after completing  
their task.

One Bristol Blenheim Bom-  
ber was attacked by five  
Messerschmidt 109 fighters,  
while it was returning from  
Heligoland Bight and the Ger-  
man Friesian Islands with  
some of the most valuable  
photographs taken over  
enemy territory.

**BEATEN OFF**

Despite the superior speed of the  
enemy fighters and the fact that  
one machine-gun was practically  
out of action, the British plane got  
away.

The enemy was first sighted  
when the R.A.F. plane was  
flying in a clear patch  
of sky at 2,000 feet. The  
pilot immediately dived his plane  
towards sea-level to prevent an at-  
tack from below and to restrict the  
movements of the Germans.

On the way down one plane at-  
tacked it from above and others  
followed, three on the port side  
and the other astern.

After this attack they gained  
height again and dived down again  
from both sides.

**COVER IN CLOUDS**  
The R.A.F. plane, wheeling to the  
left and right, fought them off by  
turning its nose towards each at-  
tacking plane as it came down.

Three minutes after the battle  
started, the British pilot saw a  
bank of clouds 3,000 feet above. He  
decided to take cover in them and  
roared up towards them in a series  
of steep right-handed turns.

One of the Messerschmidts  
promptly attacked from above and  
another from below. Beating them  
off, the R.A.F. machine continued  
up and entered the cloud bank.  
Here the Nazis lost contact and  
had to abandon the chase.

The R.A.F. machine returned  
home with six bursts of bullets in  
it, but no one was injured and  
their photographs were intact.

**OFFICIAL DESCRIPTION**  
LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—An  
authoritative description of the air  
battle states that the British Bom-  
ber was attacked from above, from  
the left and astern by five Messer-  
schmidt fighters of the 109 type.

Despite the enemy's superior  
speed, the fact that it was hit six  
times by machine-gun fire and that  
one of the British machine-guns  
was virtually out of action, the  
bomber succeeded in evading its  
pursuers and returned safely to the  
base with valuable photographs  
previously obtained over enemy  
territory.

All members of the crew escaped  
injury.

**1ST. AIR SQUADRON  
ARRIVES**

LONDON, Feb. 26 (Reuter)—  
The first squadron of the  
Canadian Air Force arrived  
in England and landed at a  
north-west port and without  
leaving the harbour, left by  
special train for an R. A. F.  
station in South England.

Captain Balfour, Under-Secretary  
for Air, welcomed them on behalf  
of the Air Minister.

He made a short speech at the  
quayside after the men had  
landed, saying they were heirs of  
the great tradition of predecessors  
and "we know this high trust  
will be safe in your hands."

Lord Derby also spoke, wish-  
ing the men a happy time  
and added: "I wish the Boche  
something I know he will get  
and that is a 'hell of a time.'"

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Haiphong	27th Feb.
Egypt	27th Feb.
Manila	27th Feb.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 17th February	28th Feb.
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 21st February	28th Feb.
Manila	28th Feb.
Manila	28th Feb.
U. S. A. & Manila (San Francisco date, 31st Jan.)	28th Feb.
Shanghai	28th Feb.
Calcutta, Straits and Saigon	28th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	28th Feb.
Haiphong	28th Feb.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 21st February	29th Feb.
Shanghai	29th Feb.
Canton	29th Feb.
Manila	29th Feb.
Shanghai	29th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Feb.
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Tientsin	29th Feb.
Japan	29th Feb.
Haiphong and Holhow	29th Feb.
Japan and Shanghai	29th Feb.
Canton	29th Feb.
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Haiphong, Holhow & Port Bayard	1st Mar.
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai — (Vancouver B.C. date, 10th February)	1st Mar.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 24th February	2nd Mar.
Shanghai	2nd Mar.
Bangkok and Saigon	2nd Mar.
Sandakan	2nd Mar.
Europe via Suez and Straits (London date, 18th January)	3rd Mar.
Shanghai and Amoy	3rd Mar.
Japan	4th Mar.
Straits and Saigon	4th Mar.
Europe via Suez and Straits—(London date, 25th January)	5th Mar.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 6th February)	5th Mar.
Straits and Manila	5th Mar.
Straits and Manila	5th Mar.
Java and Manila	5th Mar.

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For	Date and Time
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Tue. 27th
Saigon, Sandakan, Madang, Salamaua, and Tulagi	8.30 AM
Batavia and Sourabaya	10.30 AM
Parcels	11.00 AM
Ord.	Noon
Haiphong	1.00 PM
Port Bayard, and Holhow	2.30 PM
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Naples—due Naples 24th March	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 4.45 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service" due London, 6th March	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia, by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 4th March	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Parcels only for Shanghai	5.00 PM
Saigon	5.30 PM
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	Wed. 28th
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu U.S.A., Central and South America Via San Francisco — due San Francisco 21st March	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C., 18th March	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Amoy and Shanghai	5.30 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Airmail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"—due Paris 7th March	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Straits	7.00 PM
<b>THURSDAY</b>	Thu. 29th
Japan	10.30 AM
Port Bayard	1.30 PM
Haiphong	2.00 PM
Shanghai	2.30 PM
K.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
G.P.O.	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Manila, Australia and New Zealand Via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island 13th March	Reg. 5.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
Amoy	7.00 PM
<b>FRIDAY</b>	Fri. Mar. 1st
Canton	7.15 AM
Haiphong	10.00 AM
Parcels only for Tientsin	10.30 AM
Shanghai	2.30 PM

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